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"I managed to raise enough money with my savings to invest in a combination motel, restaurant, grocery, and service station. It didn't take long to get my eyes opened. In order to keep that

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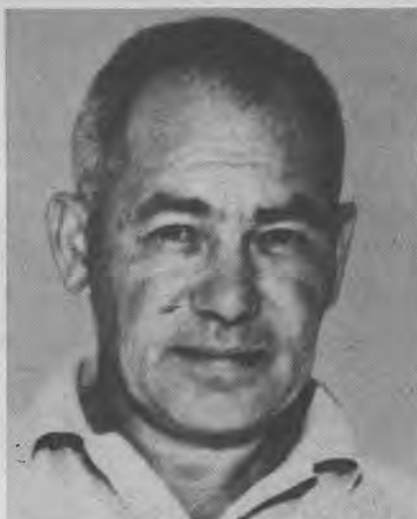
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a true story
by John B. Haikey



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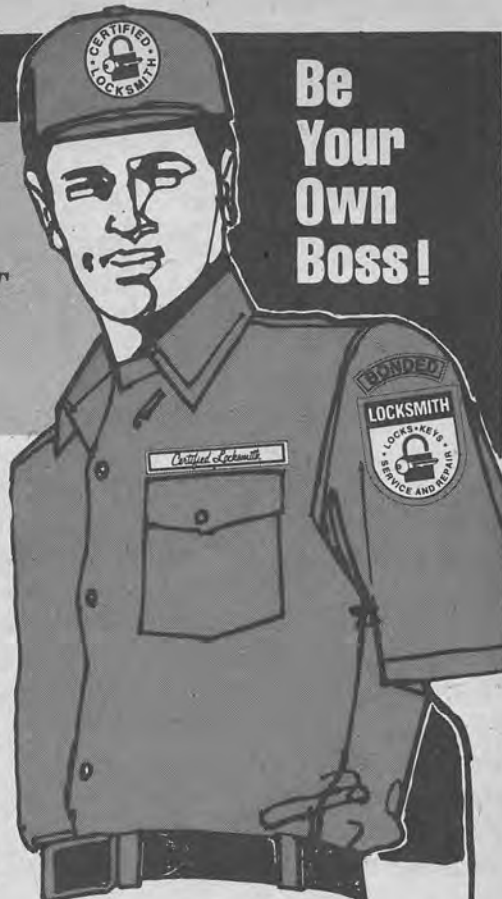
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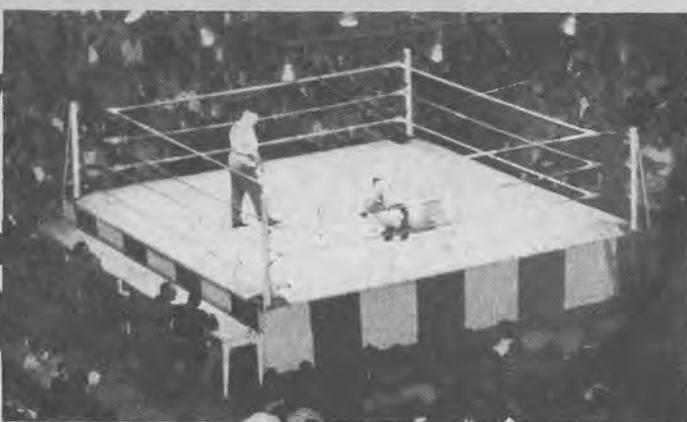
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KUDOS TO THE SUPERFLY

Every woman knows a good thing when she sees one.

Thank you very much for the interview with Jimmy "Superfly" Snuka in your November 1982 issue of *Inside Wrestling*. Ever since the first day Jimmy invaded the WWF, it was obvious he's made of championship material. He would be wearing the WWF championship belt right now if only he wasn't involved with Captain Lou Albano.

Jimmy has muscles rippling from head to toe that would make Tony Atlas proud. His flying leap is devastating and breathtaking. Jimmy even took that leap from the top of a 15-foot-high steel cage! He has never broken a rule, yet some people call him a rulebreaker simply out of envy.

Now that we know that Jimmy can really speak for himself, I pray he gives Albano the shake and finds someone who can give him better advice and handle his finances more carefully.

Good luck to you, Jimmy, my uncrowned champion!

ANGELLA SAMUELS
Bronx, NY

PIPER'S TURNAROUND

About six months ago when Roddy Piper first came to *Georgia Championship Wrestling* (now *World Championship Wrestling*), I didn't like him at all. But now I think I'm beginning to see just what kind of man Piper

really is. He's suddenly stopped putting down the good guys and stopped praising the bad guys. But he's not really for either side. He's simply his own man, and I respect him for that. Keep on going, Roddy, because I enjoy watching and listening to you.

TRACEY DOGGETT
Thomaston, GA

WWF IS SUPERIOR

In the June 1982 issue of *Inside Wrestling*, Scott Schletty wrote that the AWA would kick the WWF's butt if there was ever a match between the top contenders of both federations. Then in September, Justin Domenicucci contradicted Schletty's statement saying that the WWF would kick the AWA's butt and do more damage than that. Finally, in November, Louis Tolentino agreed with Domenicucci, saying that the WWF would beat the AWA. Well, I would have to agree that the WWF could beat the AWA. But I do not say this just because I live in the WWF area. I have proof. When Rick Martel was in the WWF, he never got past number eight or nine in contention. But when he went to the AWA, he rocketed up to the number three position. So I agree: The WWF would kick the AWA's butt.

MIKE CORDS
Brockton, MA

NO RESPECT FOR LAWLER

Jerry Lawler gets no respect. Okay, I give your magazines credit for covering Lawler—"Capsule



Jerry Lawler deserves to be on the cover of "Inside Wrestling," writes Chucky Lester. The Memphis fan was very pleased with the full-color pinup of Lawler that appeared in the October 1982 issue of "Pro Wrestling Illustrated."

Profile" feature and "Hotseat" interview in *Inside Wrestling*, and the color pinup in the October 1982 issue of *Pro Wrestling Illustrated*—but why isn't he on the cover of your magazines? He has held some of the most prestigious titles in all of wrestling. He has victories over such stars as Kamala, Super Destroyer, Paul Orndorff, Crusher Blackwell, Baron Von Raschke, Kendo Nagasaki, J.J. Dillon, Jos LeDuc, Austin Idol, the Funks, and many more. He has non-title victories over NWA champion Ric Flair and AWA champion Nick Bockwinkel. So please, I ask your editors: Why hasn't Jerry Lawler, the true King of Wrestling, been on the covers of your magazines?

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Peter
King

Editor-in-Chief

(I wanted this month's column to be about Jimmy Snuka, but I didn't know what to say. Then the following letter came in the mail. I feel the fans should read it--as it is addressed to them.)

To Wrestling Fans Everywhere,

These past few months have been hell on earth for me. You don't know how I suffered. You don't know how badly I was misled. When I first became a wrestler a few years ago, the fans were on my side. It was wonderful.

But somewhere along the way I made a big mistake. I let other people control my career. I even let them control my life. When I decided to come to the WWF, I was told by Lou Albano that if I didn't sign a contract with him, I couldn't wrestle there. He told me not to check with a lawyer. Then he told me never to talk in public. He said the WWF fans would hate me because I was different from them. He told me to follow all of his orders without question.

I trusted Lou Albano. I paid a big price for my stupidity.

As the months went on, I noticed more and more of you fans cheering for me despite my tactics. You may not know this, but there were times when your cheers made me want to cry. You saw through the evil of Lou Albano and applauded my goodness.

When it finally happened--when I was attacked by Albano--through the pain and fear I also felt joy. Joy that I was free. Joy that I could wrestle the way I wanted to. Joy that now I would be able to talk to you, the fans, and be what you wanted me to be.

Today, I am free and happy. I will never be able to repay you for your kindness. Bless all of you.

With love--Jimmy Snuka

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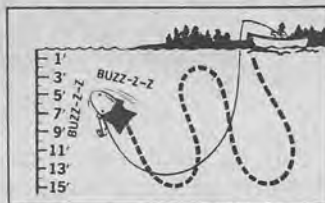
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THE SUN WOULDN'T be up for another hour, but I had already eaten breakfast, packed my bags, and with the help of a taxicab gone halfway to the Charlotte, North Carolina, airport.

It was a busy weekend, highlighted by a spectacular wrestling card at the Charlotte

right: Jimmy Valiant has not been having an easy time of it lately.

I thought back a few months: Jimmy Valiant vs. Ivan Koloff. That feud was literally being fought all across the Mid-Atlantic area. It didn't matter where Valiant was wrestling, Koloff was there as an opponent



Jim Valiant pounds a bloody Jos LeDuc. LeDuc's manager, Sir Oliver Humperdink, brought LeDuc into the Mid-Atlantic to continue the war against Valiant. So far, the "Boogie Woogie Man" has held his own.

Coliseum. The Coliseum was about half full, but what the crowd lacked in size, they more than made up for with pure enthusiasm.

"Say, where did you get that T-shirt?" the cabdriver asked me. "You work for that magazine or something?"

The driver had spotted my *Pro Wrestling Illustrated* shirt. I explained that *PWI* was in the same family of wrestling magazines as *Inside Wrestling*.

"Maybe you can tell me something," the cabbie said. "How come everyone is down on the Boogie Woogie Man? Why can't they just leave him alone?"

I replied that I didn't know, and I acknowledged that he was

to try to cripple him.

There were many bloody matches between Valiant and Koloff. The feud stretched over months, and the guiding force behind Koloff, it became widely known, was none other than Sir Oliver Humperdink.

Ah yes, Sir Oliver Humperdink, also known as "The Rooster," although there are few people alive today who would call him that to his face.

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'TOP SECRET'

Behind the Dressing Room Door

by Stu
Saks



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"This is what it's all about," he said. "This is the pinnacle for any wrestler. All my hard work has paid off."

Hard work? I looked at Funk angrily. He may have worked hard to earn the \$10,000 to pay for the belt, but that's about all. The belt looked exactly like the one NWA champion Ric Flair wears: every jewel, every letter was in the right place. But it was only an imitation. Not a cheap imitation, mind you, but an imitation nonetheless. Could this guy be serious, I wondered?

"I want you to alert the world that Terry Funk has claimed the NWA championship and is willing to give a title shot to any man he deems deserving," Funk said.

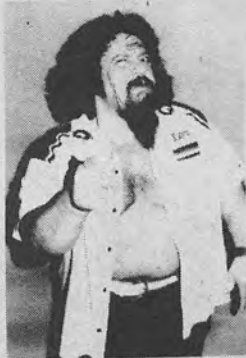
"You just can't buy a belt and claim a title," I said. "That's just not the way it's done."

Funk placed the belt back in its case and slammed his palms against the table in front of him. "Don't you be telling me about the right way and wrong way to do things," he shouted. "Let me tell you. Ric Flair has been champion for more than a year and a half now. And in that time how many title shots has Terry Funk received. Don't bother to check the record books. The answer is zero.

"There isn't one man he has defended his belt against who I haven't beaten, so how come I've never gotten my chance?

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Body Slams & Pinfalls

By Dan Shocket

HIS POWERFULLY MUSCLED body glistens under the arena lights. His aura of purpose and power can be sensed by every spectator. He stands alone, his own man determined to fulfill his destiny. Superstar Billy Graham is back.

He may be the last hope for the WWF. Bob Backlund has cheated and bribed his way to a too long title reign. There have been many fine wrestlers who challenged Backlund, but none could defeat the army of referees and commissioners that Backlund has on his payroll. To defeat Backlund, a man must have more than wrestling ability. The man must be ruthlessly cunning.

Graham is such a man. He's smarter than anyone Backlund can bribe. The man possesses a sixth sense to defend himself against crooked referees and absurd rulings. When Graham beats Backlund, all the referees stalling and all the commissioners' guile won't be able to make Backlund champion again.

From the first day of his reappearance, Graham has



The Grand Wizard is a very happy man, and he has every reason to be. His protege, Superstar Graham, the new, improved Superstar Graham, is on the verge of regaining the WWF heavy-weight championship.

known exactly what to do. A few months before his return, there were the rumors of his death. Just when everyone was sure this tragedy had occurred, Billy stepped into the limelight like a ghost, a man who can conquer death. The specter of Graham now haunts Backlund. It was a genius move by the master of psychological warfare.

In addition, he showed up with his head shaved. The peacock grappling star was giving notice that now he's sleek, hard, and serious.

Backlund wasn't quite sure how to handle this strange new Graham. Billy has put Backlund off-balance once again. It was a brilliant strategy.

It isn't only in psychological warfare that Graham excels. No other challenger has managed to focus the attention of the world on his quest as Graham has. Any cheating by Backlund and his cohorts will be exposed in front of everyone. Graham has managed to neutralize Backlund's most effective weapons: corrupt referees and unscrupulous commissioners. Reduced to his own ability, Backlund is doomed.

In order that the cheering doesn't begin prematurely, Graham himself cautions fans not to celebrate until the victory is accomplished. Too many wrestlers have come up empty-handed by underestimating Backlund's ability and overestimating his honor.

"I've been studying him," Graham says of Backlund, "and he's clever. It takes more than a full wallet to

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BY RICH COUNTIS

SCOOP OF THE MONTH

I was all set to write a column about the return of Nick Bockwinkel to the top of the AWA, but that story got snapped up by our sister publication, *The Wrestler*.

Then I got a call from Gary Royal, and I knew I had a column for this issue.

What's that you say? You've never heard of Gary Royal? Why, he's only one of the most successful managers in the entire United States.

With his headquarters some-

He's strong, he's mean, and he's faced opponents with world-wide reputations and pounded them into the ground. Me? I'd like to see the tag team of Hernandez and Roger Kirby make a tour together. There is a big future for these men, and their rise to superstardom has only just begun."

Hercules Hernandez and his manager, Gary Royal. Two names to keep in mind for future reference. I have a hunch we'll be hearing more from both of them as wrestling progresses into 1983.

RUMOR VS. FACT

RUMOR: Gino Hernandez and Tully Blanchard dressed up as Mil Mascaras and Dos Caras



Rookie manager Gary Royal poses with his top protegee, Hercules Hernandez. From his power base near Kansas City, Royal hopes to be a major factor in wrestling in the coming years.

Then I wanted to examine the rift between Captain Lou Albano and Superfly Jimmy Snuka. Specifically, I wanted to write about the match between Snuka and Ray Stevens on television in which Snuka was attacked by Stevens, his manager, Fred Blassie, and his own manager, Albano. Two piledrivers on a wooden floor is nothing to sneeze at. But that story got snagged by another sister publication, *Wrestling Superstars*.

where near Kansas City, Royal manages a stable of rough-house wrestlers who have local reputations, but who for the most part have yet to break out nationally.

"I have some men who need a little polishing, perhaps," Royal told me in a recent telephone interview, "but I believe they will be national, if not *international*, champions very, very soon.

"Take my man Hercules Hernandez, for instance," Royal said. "He's ripe for a world tour.

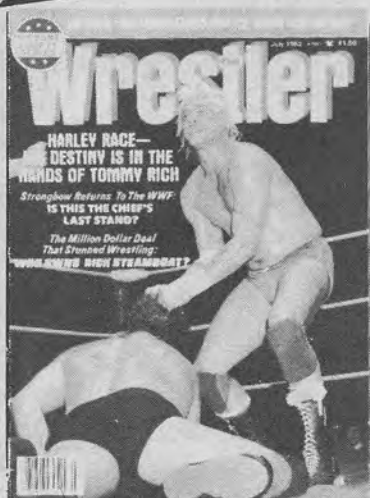


Two Halloween celebrants in Houston. These men are not Gino Hernandez and Tully Blanchard. And they are especially not Mil Mascaras and Dos Caras.

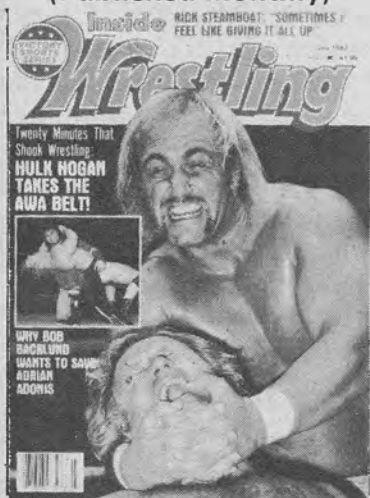
for Halloween and paraded through the streets of Houston in a drunken stupor.

FACT: Many costumes of Mil
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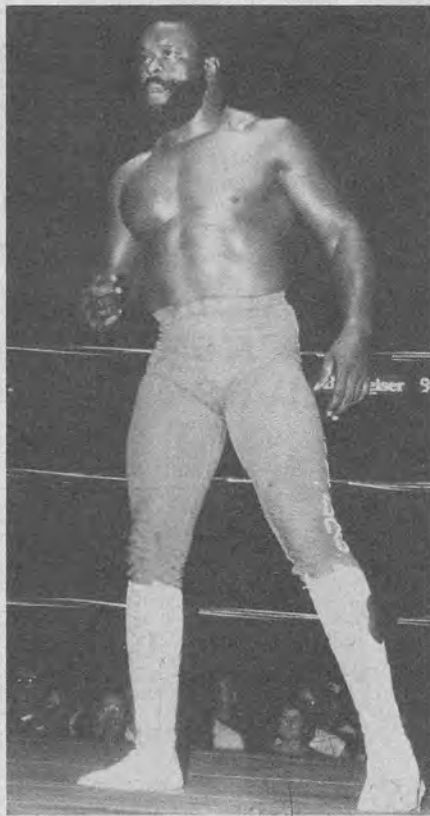
BUDDY ROGERS

It's official: **Buddy Rogers** is the new manager of **Superfly Jimmy Snuka**. Rogers, the man who exposed **Captain Lou Albano** as having cheated Snuka out of all his hard-earned money, sealed the deal with a handshake on nationwide television. "I don't want any of Jimmy's money," Rogers said. "There won't even be a written contract. I just want to see that this man is treated in the manner he should be."

Jerry Lawler has started a war of insults with **Roddy Piper**. "If **Andy Kaufman** can wrestle women in skirts, I guess I can wrestle that



JERRY LAWLER



JUNKYARD DOG

skirt-wearing Piper," Lawler said laughing. Lawler is reportedly very upset over comments Piper made about Lawler's home state of Tennessee . . . AWA champion **Nick Bockwinkel** has turned thumbs down on a rematch with former champion **Otto Wanz** . . . "The Soul Patrol," **Junkyard Dog** and **Tony Atlas**, has Southwest tag team champions **Tully Blanchard** and **Gino Hernandez** on the run in Texas.

After a series of brutal matches, **Jack Brisco** finally regained the Mid-Atlantic title from **Paul Jones** . . . **Gen. Skandor Akbar** is now managing **The Great Kamala** in Louisiana . . . **King James J. Dillon** has brought **The Moondogs** into Atlanta rings . . . **Hulk Hogan** and **Terry Funk** are headed to South Africa.



GORDON SOLIE

The syndicated television show *Entertainment Tonight*, in a feature on *World Championship Wrestling* from Georgia, dubbed announcer **Gordon Solie** "Wrestling's Walter Cronkite." That's quite a compliment, Gordon! . . . The feud between **Killer Khan** and **Andre the Giant** has resurfaced in Texas. Khan also continues to battle it out with **Dick Slater** in the Lone Star state.

Mr. Wrestling II is now convinced there is no chance he can convince **Ted DiBiase** to return to the scientific fold. "The kid can't be reasoned with," **Wrestling II**



MR. WRESTLING II

N' NEWS

Bill Apter
reporting...

laments. "Now I'm afraid I'm going to have to try and beat some sense into him." . . . **Rick Steamboat** and **Jay Youngblood** are on a campaign to win the NWA tag team belts from **Sgt. Slaughter** and **Don Kernodle**.

David Von Erich has proved he is true to his word. He vowed to Texas rooters he would stick to the rules no matter what took place during the bouts. Against NWA champion **Ric Flair**, under the most adverse conditions, David did not break one rule. He failed to win the belt, but he did get everyone's respect . . . **Jim Cornette**, whose photos have appeared in our magazines for years, has resigned to pursue a new career as a wrestling manager. Good lucky, Jimmy!

Bahamas champion **Sweet**



DAVID VON ERICH



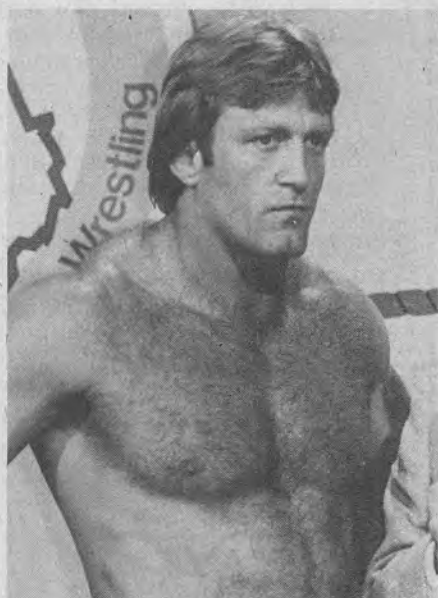
JAY YOUNGBLOOD & RICK STEAMBOAT

Brown Sugar barely retained his title in a scientific contest against **Mike Graham** . . . **Greg Valentine** says he has finally found the formula to capture the United States belt from **Wahoo McDaniel**. **Sir Oliver Humperdink**, Greg's manager, says he has worked out an infallible plan and will put up \$10,000 to secure a title shot!

Paul Orndorff has pressed formal charges with the NWA.



SIR OLIVER HUMPERDINK



PAUL ORNDORFF



MASKED SUPERSTAR

against **Masked Superstar** following his controversial Georgia National title loss at the Omni. Orndorff claims Masked Superstar was handed a foreign object by **Super Destroyer** that Superstar inserted in his mask and used for the victory. The NWA plans to investigate the charges.

That's all for now. See you at the matches. □

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

Some of the back issues in this ad have not been offered for sale for more than 25 years. All of these extremely rare magazines are from the personal collection of Stanley Weston, owner of the world's largest collection of wrestling memorabilia. This is indeed a once in a lifetime opportunity for the true collector to finally own these highly treasured but until now elusive editions. Obviously, the supplies of these issues is very limited, and they will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. It is for that reason we urge you to list substitute choices when you order. This will avoid time wasted writing back and forth should a particular issue be sold out. The prices quoted are based on the rarity of the issue and the amount of available copies. For fastest service, payment should be made by money order or certified check. While cash will be accepted, we cannot assume responsibility when it is sent through the mails. All sales are final and no exchanges will be made.

BOXING & WRESTLING

After five issues, **WRESTLING** magazine changed its name to **BOXING & WRESTLING**. Continuing its high standard in wrestling, the addition of boxing stories made it one of the most popular sports magazines of the '50s. Some of the back issues listed in this ad can be obtained now by the general public for the first time in more than 25 years. As you would expect, supplies are very, very limited.

JANUARY 1952 Boxing—Pep vs. Saddler, Gans vs. Kid Lavigne, Robinson vs. Turpin, Mickey Walker, Tricksters, Tony Janiro, Barney Ross's Record, Tex Rickard, Roland LaStarza, Leonard vs. Kilbane, Rocky Marciano, Ratings, Knockouts

Wrestling—Yvon Robert, Wrestling Whirl, Sky Hi Lee, Matches of the Month, Pacific Coast Championship, George Hackenschmidt, Indian Wrestlers, Ruffy Silverstein, Ratings, Londres vs. Shikat \$25

JUNE 1952 Boxing—Fights of the Month, Gil Turner, Max Schmeling, Jack Johnson, Ratings, Stillman's Gym, Chico Vejar, Flyweights and Bantamweights, Tex Rickard Story, Paddy DeMarco, Max Baer's Record

Wrestling—Lord Carlton, Ratings, Mars Bennett, Human Sides, Tony Lanza, Wrestling Whirl, Good Old Days, Whipper Watson, Matches of the Month, San Francisco Promoter Joe Malcewicz \$25

AUGUST 1952 Boxing—Highlights, Paddy Young, Sammy Mandell, Trainer Doc Bagler, Jack Dempsey, Keeney Teran and Gil Cadilli, Tex Rickard Story, Lew Tendler, TV From Miami, From Knockdown to Victory, Ratings

Wrestling—Dirty Dick Raines, Good Old Days, Whipper Watson, How Girl Wrestlers Keep Fit, Ratings, Adrian Baillargeon, Wrestling Whirl, Matches of the Month, Mighty Atlas \$25

SEPTEMBER 1952 Boxing—Highlights, Fighting Italians, George Araujo, Pancho Villa, Trainer Charlie Goldman, Willie Troy, Ratings, Boxing Confidential, Gene Tunney, Jackie Fields

Wrestling—Bobby Managoff, Lou Thesz's Record, Ratings, Matches of the Month, Tim Geohagen, William Muldoon, Wrestling Whirl \$25

OCTOBER 1952 Boxing—Highlights (Walcott vs. Charles; Carter loses to Salas, etc.), Lauro Salas, Stanley Ketchel, Irish Champions, Chuck Davey, Max Schmeling, Ratings, Joe Miceli, Strange Experiences, Willie Pep tells about his loss to Sandy Saddler, Boxing Medicine Man Dr. Nardiello

Wrestling—Riki Dozan, Their Hardest Battles, Matches of the Month, Ray Gunkel, Tough Turks, Wrestling Whirl, Ratings, Record of Verne Gagne \$25

DECEMBER 1954 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Matches of the Month, Cisco Andrade, Ezzard Charles writes about Marciano, Bare Knuckle Fighters, Tony DeMarco, Jimmy Braddock, Maxie Rosenbloom's Life, Paul Andrews, Tony Galento vs. Lou Nova, Benny Leonard, Quiz, Dempsey vs. Fred Fulton, Quiz

Wrestling—Bob Orton, Matches of the Month, Cowboy Carlson, Mars Bennett, California Champs, Al Costello, Wrestling Whirl, Gossip, Fan Clubs \$25

FEBRUARY 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Nino Valdez Says "I'll Beat Marciano," Billy Petrolle's Life, Carmen Basilio Challenges Johnny Saxton, Bare Knuckle Fighters, Lou Stillman, Jim Corbett vs. Joe Choyinski, Jack Delany, Jack Johnson Compared to Modern Fighters, Why Black Fighters Are Tops, Quiz, Ratings, Jimmy McLarnin

Wrestling—Billy Varga, Ratings, Violet Viann, Verne Gagne, Speaks Out, Matches of the Month, Sonny Myers, Wrestling Whirl, Gossip, How To Start A Fan Club \$25

MARCH 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Kid Gavilan, Cisco Andrade, Eugene Cricqui, Ratings, Writer Dan Parker, Best Heavyweight Of All, Charley Powell, Young Griffo, Kid McCoy vs. Tomy Sharkey, Willie Ritchie, Quiz, Pedro Montanez

Wrestling—Gorgeous George, Matches of the Month, Jack Witzig, Ike Eakins, Texas Tough Guys, Little Black Dynamite, Wrestling Whirl, Fan Clubs \$25

APRIL 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Archie Moore Blasts Marciano, Robert Cohen, Joe Choyinski's Life, Strike By Managers' Guild, Boardwalk Billy Smith, Ad Wolgast vs. Joe Rivers, Fake Fights, St. Nick's Arena, TV Fights of 1954, Paul Berlenbach, Quiz, Ratings \$25

JUNE 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Eduardo Lause, Tony Canzoneri's Life, Tiger Jones and Bobby Jones, How Marciano is Managed, Lou Brouillard's Life, Bob Baker, Matchmaker Teddy Brenner, Ten Deadliest Punches, Tommy Ryan vs. Sandow, Ruby Goldstein, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—Yukon Eric, Pacific Coast Powerhouses, Billy Goetz, Wrestling Whirl, Manuel Cortez, Matches of the Month, Bob Geigel, Fan Clubs, Full Color Pinup of Billy Varga \$25

JULY 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Rocky Marciano Crushes Don Cockell, Fights of the Month, Chico Vejar, Tony Canzoneri's Life (conclusion), Carmen Basilio describes his war with Tony DeMarco, Fight Nite At St. Nick's, Jimmy Soo, Fantasy Fight with Joe Walcott, Ludwig Lightburn, Benny Leonard vs. Ever Hammer, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—'Tiger' Joe Marsh, Matches of the Month, Timmy Geohagen, TV Stars, Yukon Eric Tells How To Build Muscles, Was Henri DeGlane a Nazi? Wrestling Whirl, Fan Clubs, Full Color Pinup of Frankie Talaber \$25

AUGUST 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Floyd Patterson, Tony DeMarco, Boxing's Mouthpiece, Mickey Walker, Joe Rowan, Fritz Zivic batters Henry Armstrong, Fighting Irish, Joey Lopes, Sam Langford vs. Stanley Ketchel, Quiz, Luis Firpo, Ratings

Wrestling—'Legs' Langevin, Yukon Eric, Matches of the Month, Promoter Eddie Quinn, Most Dangerous Holds, Joe Cassius, Wrestling Whirl, Gossip, Full Color Pin Up Of Leo Nomellini \$25

SEPTEMBER 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Rocky Castellani, Promoter Jim Norris, Fight Afternoon, Rudy Garcia, Abe Attell, Billy Graham Quits, Terry McGovern vs. Pedler Palmer, Pat McMurry, Al Singer, Willie Jackson, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—Leo Nomellini, Do Black Wrestlers Get Fair Shake? Matches of the Month, Crazy Kalmikoffs, Hans Schnabel, Wrestling Whirl, Al & Tiny Mills, Gossip, Wrestling Stinks! Full Color Pin Up of Big Bill Miller \$25

OCTOBER 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, The Real Marciano, Frankie Carbo, Carmen Basilio, John L. Sullivan vs. Charley Mitchell, Carmelo Costa, Jack Dempsey (Part 1), Paddy Young, Archie Moore, Joe Benjamin, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—Hans Herman, Matches of the Month, Strangler Lewis, One World's Title! Sky Hi Lee, Wrestling Whirl, Kamikaze Kinji, Hans Schmidt, Full Color Pin Up of Lord Blears \$25

NOVEMBER 1955 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Marciano Kayoes Archie Moore, Fights of the Month, Willie Pastrano, What Made Dempsey A Killer? 'Bud' Smith, Yama Bahama, Joe Gans vs. Rufe Turner, Strategy, Tony Puleo, Great Trainers, Ratings, Johnny Dundee, Johnny Kilbane, Quiz

Wrestling—Riki Dozan, Matches of the Month, Don Arnold, Colorful Characters, Hindu Wrestlers, Chris Tolos, Malcolm Brenner, Full Color Pin Up of Pat O'Connor \$25

JANUARY 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Joey Giambra upsets Bobo Olson, Joe Lynch, Ray Drake, Mystery of Joe Walcott Solved, Training Camps, Jimmy Slattery, Chris Christensen, Bare Knuckle Brawl—Tom Johnson vs. Isaac Perrins, Pete Sarron, Charley White, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—Why Women Wrestle, Wrestling Whirl, Bill Fletcher, Ivan Padubny, Bearded Wrestlers, Matches of the Month, Art Michalek, Gossip, Fan Clubs \$25

MARCH 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Chuck Spieser, Isaac Logart, Ratings, Luis Firpo's Life, Raton Macias, Jim Jeffries vs. J. Corbett, Tiger Jones, Boxing Lesson, Review of 1955, Frankie Genaro, Quiz

Wrestling—Leo 'The Lion' Newman, Matches of the Month, Doc Gallagher, Terrible Turk, Breast Cancer and Girl Wrestlers, Barefoot Wrestlers, Wrestling Whirl, Gossip, Wives of Wrestlers \$25

APRIL 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Carmen Basilio, Commissioner Helfand, Pete Herman, Regaining Titles, Bobby Boyd, Ace Hudkins' Life, George Dixon vs. Solly Smith, Joe Benjamin, Louis 'Kid' Kaplan, Quiz \$25

MAY 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, How Floyd Patterson Will Fight Marciano, Ray Robinson's Problems, Jackie 'Kid' Berg's Life, Yama Bahama, 'Kid' Lavigne, Combating TV, Sam Langford, Bob Murphy, Boxing Lesson, Carl Tremaine, Ratings, Quiz

Wrestling—Rocca, Ada Ash, Matches of the Month, Old Timers, Prince Maivia, Wrestling Whirl, Jerry Graham, Red Bastien, Gossip \$25

JUNE 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Cisco Andrade, Ludwig Lightburn, Remembering Chicago, Tony Zale's Life, Rory Calhoun, Quiz, Ratings, Tom Sharkey vs. Peter Maher by Jim Corbett, Aurelio Herrera, Dave Shade, Readers' Gripe

Wrestling—'Hard Boiled' Haggerty, Wrestling Whirl, John Pesek, Killer Kowalski, Texas Hot Spot, Powerhouses, Matches of the Month, Fan Clubs, Gossip \$25

JULY 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Rocky Marciano, Max Schmeling's Life, Johnny Saxton, John L. Sullivan, Miguel Berrios, Larry Boardman, Quiz, Ratings, Joe Gans vs. 'Elbows' McFadden, Hollywood Legion Stadium, Ritchie Mitchell

Wrestling—Lord Blears, Matches of the Month, Mexican Stars, Ramona TeSelle, Danno O'Mahoney, Wrestling Whirl, Roy Shire, TV Wrestling, Gossip \$25

AUGUST 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Tony DeMarco, Bob Fitzsimmons vs. Peter Maher, Cherif Hamia, John Holman, Jess Willard's Life, Bucking TV, Johnny Summerlin, Joe Choyinski, Earl Mastro, Ratings, Bob Armstrong, Quiz, Gossip

Wrestling—George Drake, Wrestling Whirl, Chief Kit Fox, Matches of the Month, Yvon Robert (Part 1), Why Wrestlers Bleach Their Hair, Bob Geigel, Gossip \$25

OCTOBER 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of the Month, Willie Pastrano, Henry Armstrong's Life, Archie Moore, Jimmy McLarnin, Charley Joseph, Jim Jeffries, Jimmy Soo, Boxing Lesson, Kid Chocolate, Ratings, Quiz, Letters

Wrestling—Don Leo Jonathan, Wrestling Whirl, Fred Blasse, Billy Varga's Wife, Dangers of Wrestling, Yvon Robert (Part 3), Matches of the Month, Letters, Fan Club \$25

NOVEMBER 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of Month, Tony DeMarco, Art Aragon, Mario D'Agata, Tony Anthony, King Levinsky's Life, Johnny Bussio, Joe Louis vs. John Henry Lewis, Ken Overlin, Ratings, Lockport Jimmy Duffy, Kid McCoy vs. Jim Stewart, Quiz

Wrestling—Bobby Managoff, Around the Circuit, Slave Girl Moolah, Ratings, Matches of Month, Yvon Robert (Part 4), George Hubert, Fan Clubs, Letters \$25

DECEMBER 1956 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of Month, Gene Fullmer, Jack Dempsey vs. Billy Miske, Harold Carter, Tex Class Fights, Jinx of College Fighters, Barney Ross vs. Jimmy McLarnin, Alex Miteff, Eddie 'Babe' Risko, Leonard Del Genio, Frank Battaglia, Ratings, Letters

Wrestling—John Paul Hennig, Wrestling Whirl, Rose Roman, Tag Team Situation, Matches of Month, Jim Wright, Bull Montana's Wife, Are Fans Crazy? Letters \$25

JANUARY 1957 Boxing—Eddie Borden Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of Month, Carmen Basilio, Fighter of Year, Mike Gibbons' Life, Predicting the Champs in 1957, Joe Brown, Greatest Lightweights of All Time, Stanley Ketchel, Boxing Lesson, Tommy Loughran beats Jim Braddock, Bill Brennan, Ratings, Quiz, Letters

Wrestling—Carl Engstrom, Greatest Champions of All Time, Bronko Nagurski, Matches of Month, Johnny Barend, Wrestling Whirl, Tito Carreon, Comparing Old and New, Letters \$30

SEPTEMBER 1957 Boxing—Stanley Weston Editorial, Letters, Fights of Month, Tony Anthony, Benny Leonard Kayeod by Frank Fleming, Alphonse Halimi, Peter Jackson, Willie Pastrano, Gene Tunney, Billy Ryan, Triple Header: Harry Greb beats Mickey Walker, Dave Shade Kayoes Jimmy Slattery, Harry Wills Stops Charley Weinert, 'Knockout Brown', Tom Sayers, Stanley Ketchel's Life in Pictures, Critics Talk, Ratings

Wrestling—Wrestlers Highest Paid, Killer Kowalski, Results of Month, Hard Boiled Haggerty, Letters, Fan Clubs, Facts Behind Wrestling Boom \$35

JANUARY 1958 Boxing—Stanley Weston Editorial, Critics Talk, Fights of Month, Jimmy Braddock vs. Tommy Farr, Floyd Patterson, Johnny Kilbane, Mike O'Dowd, Chalky Wright, Carmen Basilio, Jimmy Wilde's Life, World's Ten Best Fighters, Quiz, Fighters Turned Actor, Bobbing Lesson, Bare Knuckle Feature, Leach Cross Kayoes Young Otto, Letters, Remember When, Ratings

Wrestling—Ricki Starr, The Bruiser, Canadian Trail, Fan Clubs, Letters, Matches of Month \$25

FEBRUARY 1958 Boxing—TV Jottings, Letters, Fights of Month, Louis vs. Marciano, Robinson vs. LaMotta, Walcott vs. Charles, Pep vs. Saddler, Basilio vs. DeMarco, Light Heavyweight History, Punch that Shocked World (Jack Sharkey Fools Max Schmeling), Preview of 1958, Born Killer (Fiction), Britain's Boxing Booths, Ray Robinson's Career in Pictures, Picking Winners, Quiz, Gene Tunney-Georges Carpentier Feud, Al McCoy, Critics Talk

Wrestling—Mickey Gold, The Garibaldis, Smith Brothers, Gypsy Joe, The Gallaghers, How Women React to Wrestlers, Photo Highlights, Results of Month, Fan Clubs \$25

APRIL 1958 Boxing—Stanley Weston Editorial, Letters, Fights of Month, Ratings, Carmen Basilio—Fighter of the Year, Complete Review of 1957 featuring Records, Results, Weights, Photos (Eight Pages), Bob Fitzsimmons, History of the Middleweights, Kid Chocolate Beats Fidel LaBarba, John L. Sullivan's Life, Barney Ross' Book, Remember When

Wrestling—Wrestlers in Movies, Sexiest Girl Wrestlers—Penny Banner and Barbara Baker, Predictions for 1958, Is The Champion Lou Thesz or Ed Carpentier? Sellout at the Garden, Photos of Month, Results of Month \$25

WRESTLING REVUE

WRESTLING REVUE (1959-1964) is thought to be the finest series of wrestling magazines ever published. These beautiful editions (all edited and published by Stanley Weston) set a standard by which all of today's wrestling magazines are judged. The magnificent back issues in this ad, many of which contain spectacular full-color inserts, have been unavailable to the public for more than 10 years. Supplies of these collector's treasures are very limited.

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In November 1958 Stanley Weston launched **BOXING ILLUSTRATED—WRESTLING NEWS**, which established an entirely new concept in the field of boxing and wrestling magazines. They consisted of about 65 percent boxing and 35 percent wrestling in content of the finest writing and photographs

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TV BOXING



To meet the public's growing hunger for up-to-the-minute information generated by regular boxing matches shown on the new television medium, Stanley Weston created a new magazine in 1953 to meet the demands. **TV BOXING** was unique in every way, and while its life's span was less than two years, it established itself as a milestone in the field of boxing magazines. The extremely rare issues listed below have not been offered for sale since 1954.

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1953 BOXING ANNUAL



This cherished collector's issue consisted of 100 pages of seemingly endless photographs, statistics and complete records of the leading fighters of the day: Marciano, Robinson, Gavalan, DeMarco, Carter, Saddler, Moore. The list goes on and on. And well over 100 great pictures, some in a glowing red tint.

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HOTSEAT

TED DiBIASE

"I DON'T GIVE A DAMN HOW THE FANS FEEL ABOUT ME!"

HE WAS ONCE one of the most honored men in wrestling, but now he is a notorious rulebreaker. He has turned on his former friends with a ferocity that is frightening. To win the North American title, he has isolated himself and declared the world his enemy. His fans are heartbroken, his friends are enraged, and the concept of sportsmanship in pro wrestling is being torn by its roots. He is Ted DiBiase.)

INTERVIEW CONDUCTED
BY STU SAKS

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Where the hell will the fans be when I can't wrestle any longer? What good will their cheers be when I'm retired? I have to earn my money now, do what I can to succeed.

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Q: Ted, thanks for consenting to this interview.

A: Let's get one thing straight. I don't want to do this. I have nothing I want to say. But so many fans have written to me, so many have felt hurt and betrayed, that I have to get my side of the story in print once and for all. After today, I don't want to give another

interview as long as I live. There's nothing I want to say, but I guess there are things I have to say.

Q: Where do you want to begin?

A: I guess the best place is by saying I don't give a damn how the fans feel about me. I'm my own man, wrestling for my title. Where the hell

will the fans be when I can't wrestle any longer? What good will their cheers be when I'm retired? I have to earn my money now, do what I can to succeed. If that means doing things the fans don't like, so be it.

Q: Do you owe the fans anything?

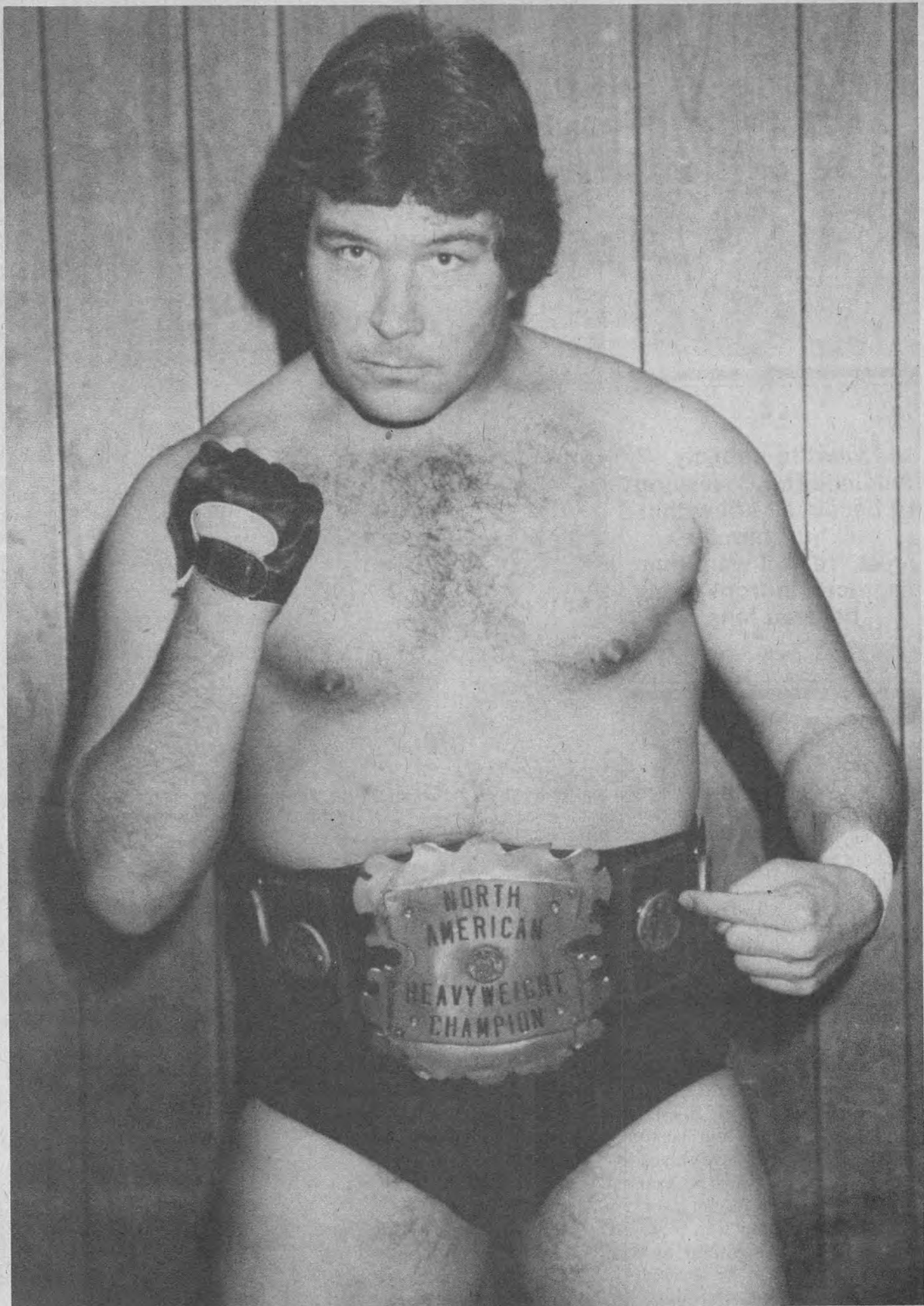
A: (long pause) No.

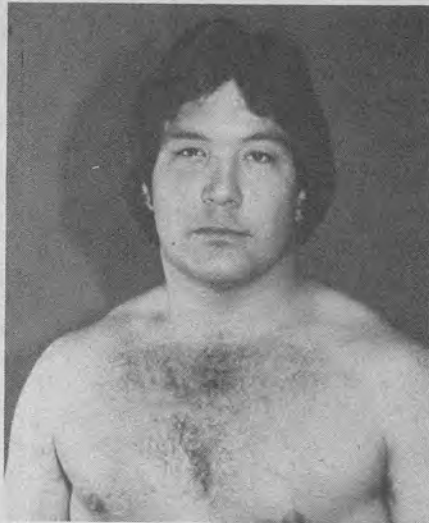
Q: That wasn't very easy for you to say.

A: I said it. I mean it.

Q: I suppose everyone is expecting you to say something about Junkyard Dog.

A: I knew you'd ask me this. Dog used to be a good friend of mine. Then he stole the North American title from me. A real friend wouldn't have taken the title shot that was rightfully mine, but he did. He showed me that every wrestler is in this sport for himself. I guess I should thank him for the lesson. I'm determined to pay him back in kind.





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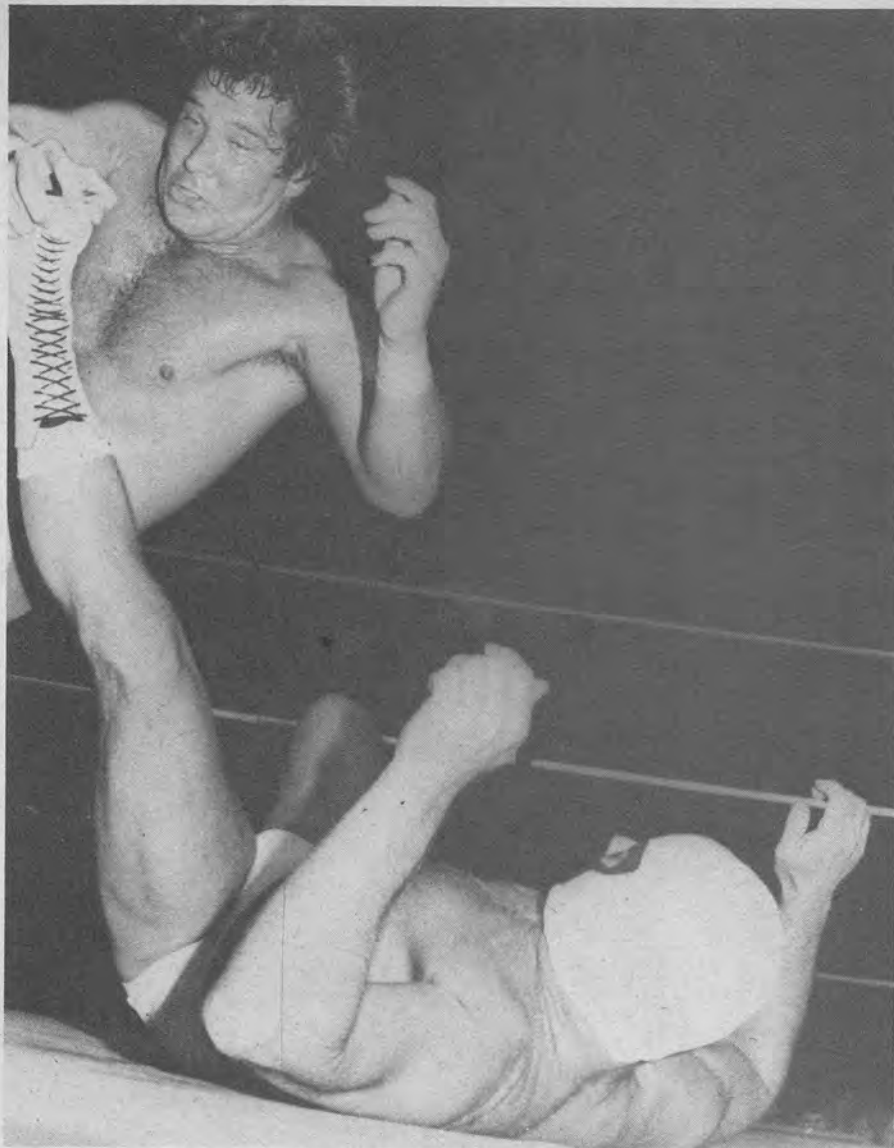
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Q: Most people feel that Junkyard Dog was simply lucky when . . .

A: He took my title shot! There was no luck involved. I had the match. When he substituted for me, he could have made it a non-title match. Instead, he took my opportunity and what would have been my belt.

Q: It was the promoter who insisted the match remain a title match.

A: Let's make this perfectly clear. It was the promoter who insisted the match be a title match. That doesn't mean Junkyard Dog had to wrestle. He could have walked away from the match with no difficulty. Instead, he took the match and my title. Since then, I've beaten him and taken the belt, my belt. I haven't finished with Junk-



DiBiase drops all his weight on Mr. Wrestling II's groin. Ted, who says he is embarrassed to have ever been II's friend, is determined to prove who is the better man.

yard Dog, though.

Q: He hasn't finished with you, either. He claims you stole the title from him.

A: He's a liar. I beat him with the same tactics he uses.

Q: That's not what I was trying to get at. I was wondering if these bloody feuds don't do both the wrestlers and the sport more harm than good.

A: Only an idiot would choose to get embroiled in a feud. But only a coward would run away from one.

Q: Have you tried to settle your differences with Junkyard Dog peaceably?

A: There's nothing to settle. I

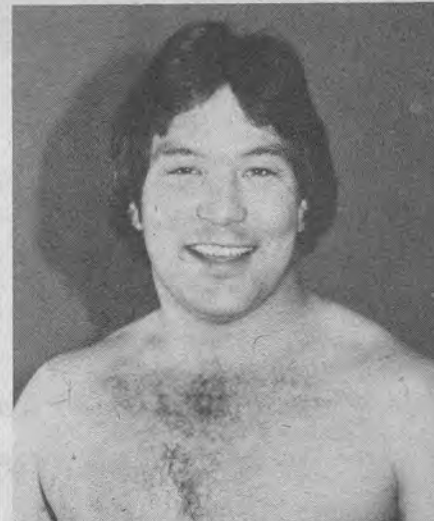
hate him and he hates me. We just let it go naturally from there.

Q: Many fans hope the two of you will one day be friends again.

A: You don't always get what you hope for.

Q: It isn't only Junkyard Dog who is no longer your friend. You were once a valued member of the wrestling community.

A: There is no community! It's every man for himself. It took me too long to find out. I may have been the last great chump the sport will ever know. Before I got wise.



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DiBiase has been accused of loading the glove on his right hand with a metallic object. Buck Robley, who was leveled with this right cross, would not dispute that charge.

Q: Your wisdom seems to be directed at defeating your old friends.

A: You bet your life. I live for the chance to end the career of my former friend Mr. Wrestling II. Boy, he made me swallow more nonsense than I previously thought humanly possible. He filled me with lies about nobility, honor, love of the sport, and other things I'm ashamed to repeat.

Q: Many people believe he lives by those so-called lies.

A: Yeah, he's been fooling people for years. When it comes down to it, when it's the difference between winning and losing, he's got the honor of a cornered rat. I just want to be the one to make him show his true colors.

Q: Are you trying to prove it to

the fans or to yourself? And if it's to the fans, why must you try to prove anything to them if you don't care about them?

A: I want to prove it to Mr. Wrestling II. I want to publicly humiliate him because I know that will hurt him the most. Yeah, I want him disgraced in front of his beloved fans. I want to strip his pride away. I want him to hear the fans boo him. I want him to know how that feels, what it does to a man's insides. Then I want him to try to talk about dignity and honor. I want to hear him choke on those words.

Q: What does the booing do to a man's insides?

A: If he doesn't expect it, it feels like a burning whirlpool is

churning in his guts. It makes his bones feel like water and his eyes lose their focus. At night, dreams come at you like maddened armies. The center doesn't hold, and you're plunged into chaos.

Q: That sounds like a personal description.

A: It does? What the hell do you know about what's going on inside me?

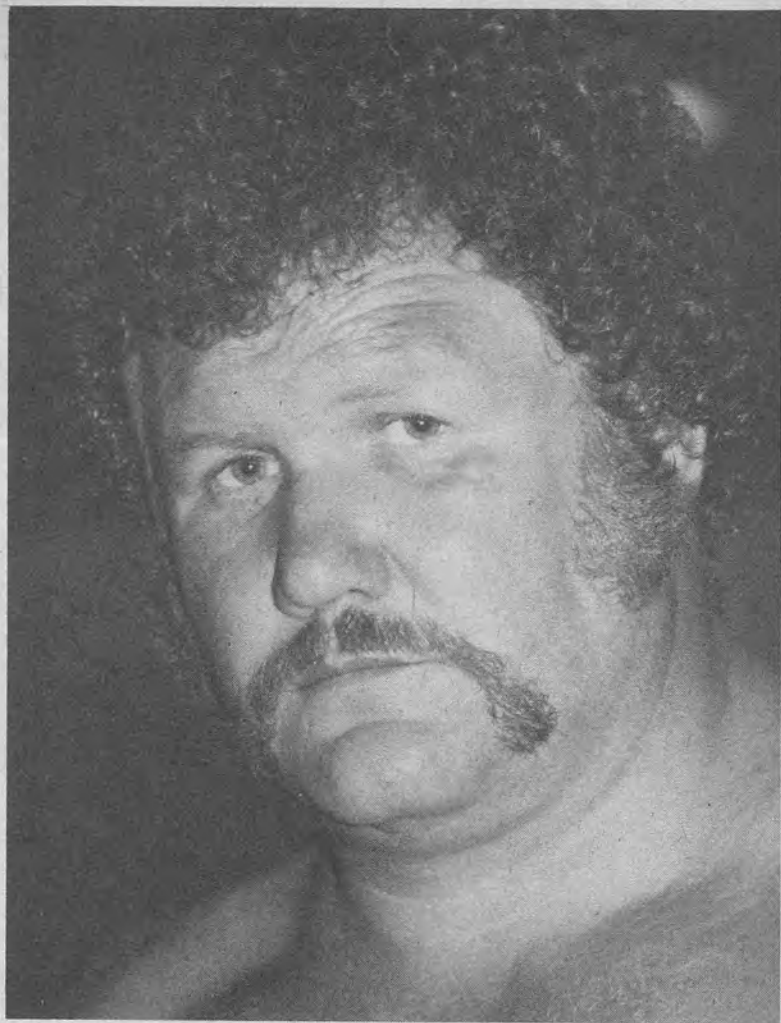
Q: Are you sad things have come to this?

A: Sure I'm sad the world isn't all goodness and light. But I'm glad I've learned to succeed in the real world. I'm glad I'm champion. I guess wising up is the price you pay for success.

Q: In your case, it seems like a very high price.

A: You don't expect to choose the price. You pay what is demanded. □

HARLEY RACE: UPDATE ON A LEGENDARY CHAMPION



IT HAS BEEN quite an amazing career.

- May 24, 1973: Harley Race defeats Dory Funk Jr. in Kansas City, Kansas, to capture the first of what would soon be six NWA championship titles.

- February 6, 1977: Harley Race defeats Terry Funk in Toronto, Canada, to capture NWA title number two.

- August 26, 1979: Harley Race defeats Dusty Rhodes in an Orlando, Florida, wrestling ring to capture the NWA belt for the third time.

- November 7, 1979: Harley Race pins Shohei "Giant" Baba in Amagaseki, Japan, and wears the NWA belt a fourth time.

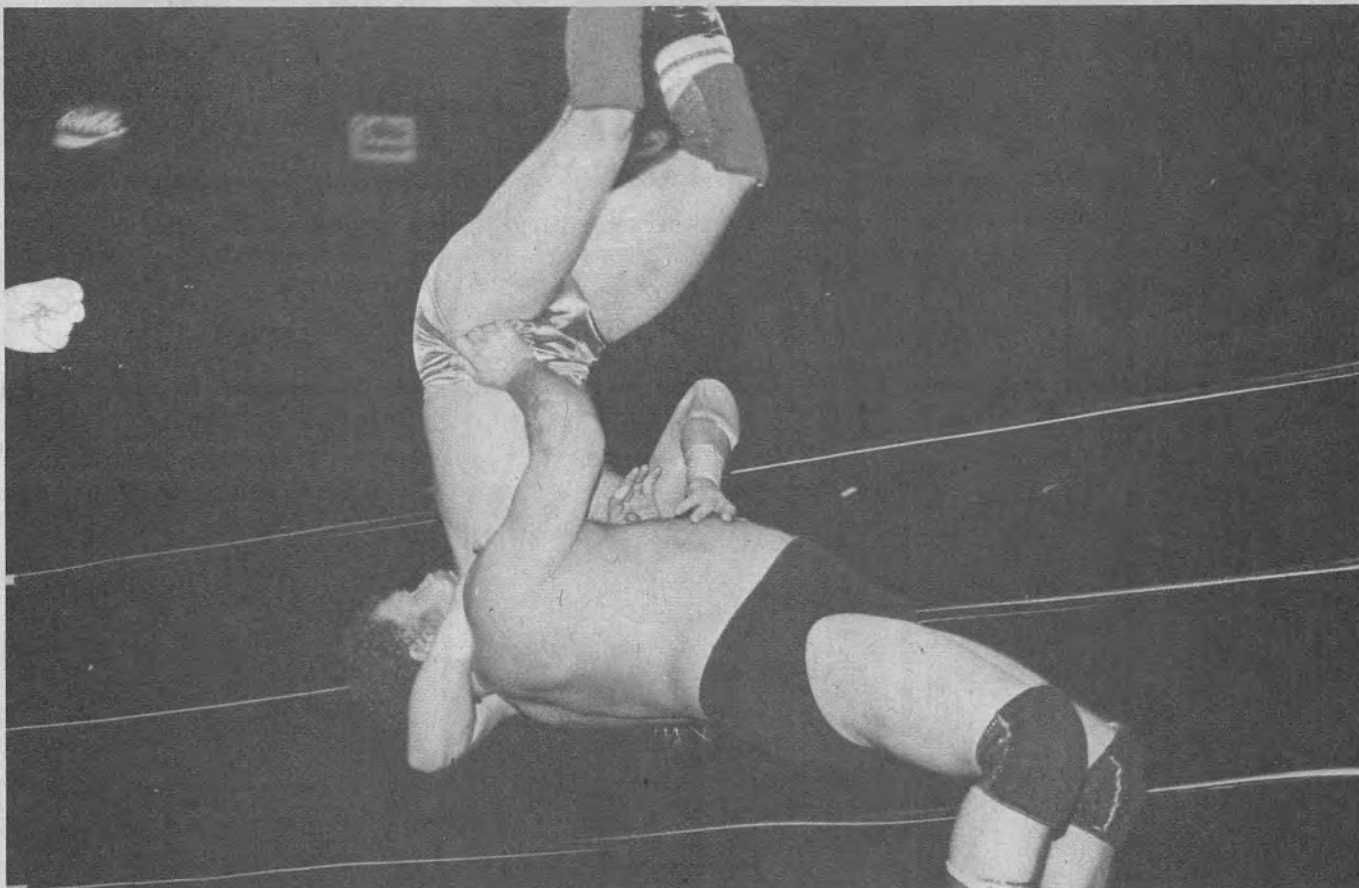
- September 10, 1980: Harley Race again faces the Giant Baba and wins his fifth NWA title in Ostu, Japan.

- May 1, 1981: Harley Race pins Tommy Rich in Gainsville, Georgia, to capture his sixth NWA title and tie the record of the legendary Lou Thesz.

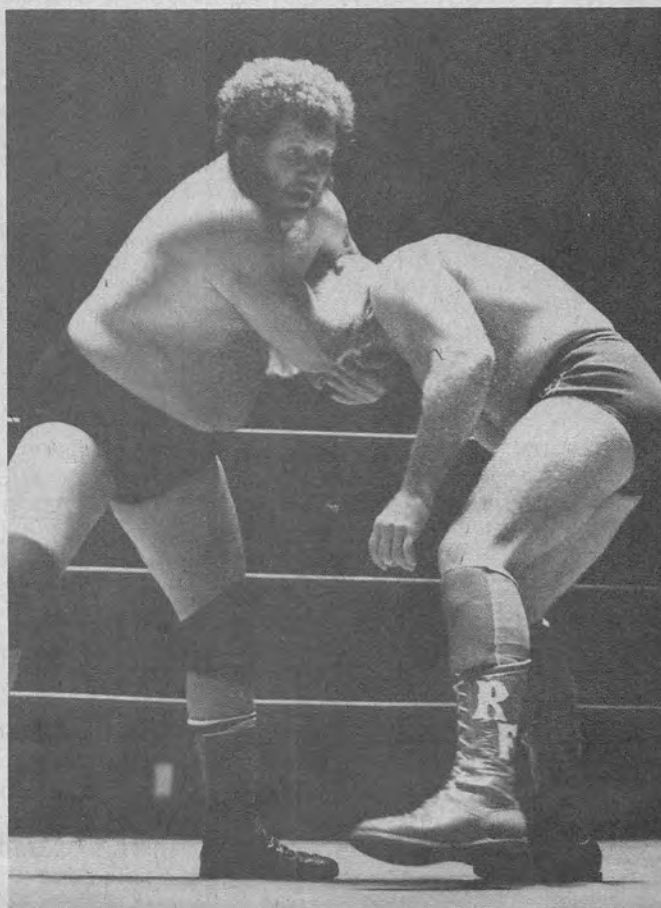
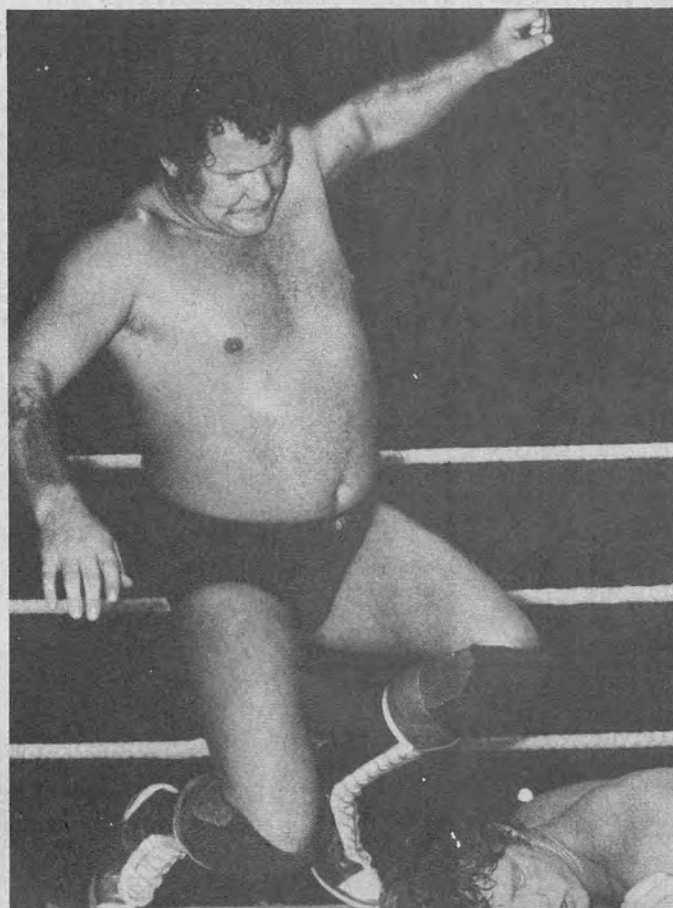
Harley Race is already a legend in NWA history, but he intends to expand even further on his already considerable accomplishments. Race is determined to win the NWA belt for an unprecedented seventh time. Many fans support him in this endeavor, and "Inside Wrestling" is often the recipient of mail wondering how Race has been doing in his quest for the belt.

To answer the many questions we have been asked about Race, and to fulfill the hundreds of requests for more coverage on Harley Race, "Inside Wrestling" presents this pictorial update on the man.

Harley Race did what many people long believed was impossible when he tied Lou Thesz's incredible record of six NWA heavyweight title reigns. As Race makes his way toward an unprecedented seventh championship, *Inside Wrestling* takes a look at the man who is determined to rewrite the record books



Even as an ex-champion, Race is not the kind of man to put down roots in one area. Race suplexes Tommy Rich in Atlanta (above). Mercilessly, Harley drops his knee across the neck of David Von Erich in St. Louis (below left). The six-time champ almost became a seven-time champ when he wrestled Ric Flair in Toronto (below right).



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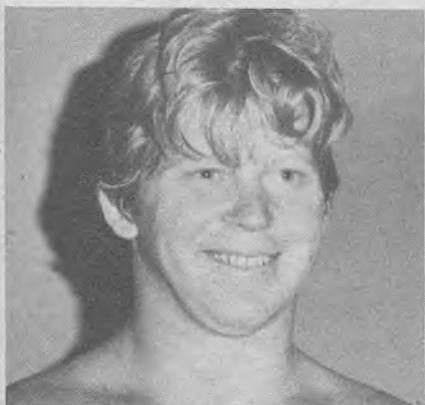
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ALLENTOWN, PA

By Jonathan Griffith



BOB BACKLUND

vs.

COWBOY BOB ORTON



With the WWF heavyweight championship belt on the line, Backlund and Orton were both ready for action. The champion and the challenger traded scientific moves and holds for about 10 minutes, until Orton started using closed-fist punches. Orton tried in vain to powerslam Backlund, then tried to use a back bodydrop on the champion. Backlund anticipated the maneuver, reversed the advantage, and finished Orton for the win.

OTHER BOUTS: Jimmy Snuka defeated Steve Travis . . . Swede Hanson lost his match to Andre the Giant.

ST. LOUIS, MO

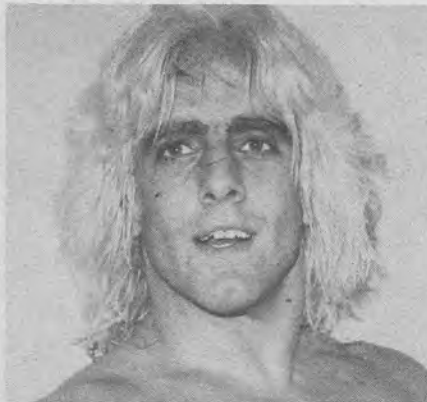
By Calvin Allen



HARLEY RACE

vs.

RIC FLAIR



It was a great night of wrestling in the CheckerDome as Missouri champion Harley Race challenged NWA kingpin Ric Flair. Race scored the only fall of the two-out-of-three falls match after 50 minutes of action. With 10 minutes left, both men frantically tried for victory. The time limit ran out with only the one fall completed, so Harley Race won the match, but not the NWA title.

OTHER BOUTS: Hulk Hogan defeated Greg Valentine and the Great Tio in a handicap match . . . Andre the Giant and Crusher Blackwell were both counted out of the ring.

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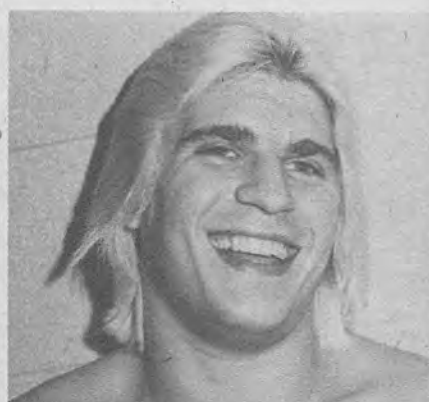
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BUZZ SAWYER

vs.

TOMMY RICH



The main event was a continuation of the intense and brutal feud between these two determined men. The match began with Rich and Sawyer lunging at each other like a pair of starving wolves fighting for the same bone. After several minutes of bloody action, Wildfire and Sawyer were both disqualified for roughing up the referee. The two men kept brawling as they rolled and punched their way back to the dressing room.

OTHER BOUTS: Paul Orndorff defeated Super Destroyer . . . Roddy Piper and Tito Santana beat The Samoans.

WRESTLING CAPITALS



KINGSPORT, TN

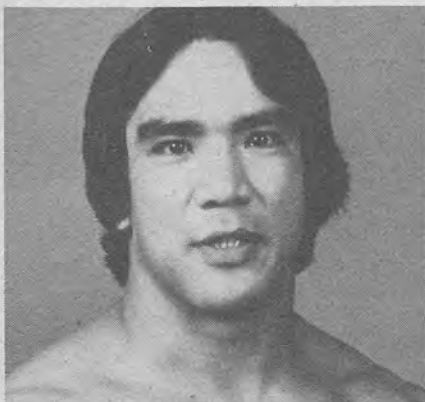
By Robin Taylor



PAUL JONES

vs.

RICK STEAMBOAT



With the Mid-Atlantic championship belt on the line, Steamboat exploded all over Jones like a dynamo, and it appeared as if he would have no trouble at all in winning the title. Steamboat had Jones pinned for the win, but Sir Oliver Humperdink put Jones' foot on the rope. The referee witnessed this and called for a disqualification. Steamboat won the match but Jones kept his title.

OTHER BOUTS: Jimmy Valiant scored a bloody victory over Jos LeDuc . . . Jay Youngblood defeated Jim Nelson.

SEATTLE, WA

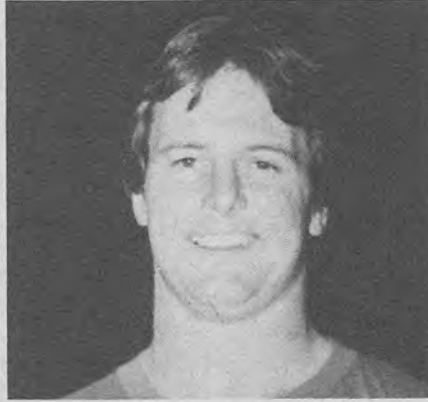
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PLAYBOY BUDDY ROSE

vs.

RODDY PIPER

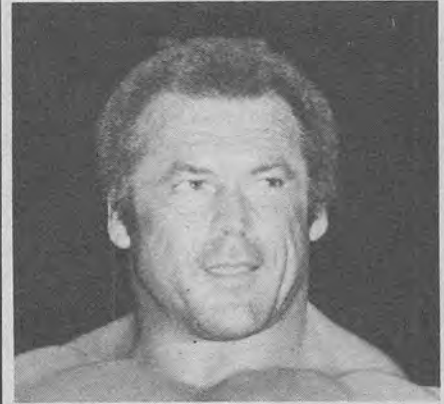


Both Rose and Piper returned to this area from different parts of the country for this special match. Rose was on top of the action for most of the match using armlocks and hiprolls, but Piper battled back and caught Rose in the sleeperhold. Rose backed Roddy into the corner, at the same time trapping referee Luke Brown and knocking him cold. Piper battled back, landed on top of Rose, and hooked his leg. Brown recovered in time to make the count.

OTHER BOUTS: Rip Oliver and Ali Hassan defeated Chris Adams and Steve Pardee . . . Hack Sawyer and The Assassin wrestled to a draw.

SALISBURY, MD

By Ray Marine



IVAN PUTSKI

vs.

SUPERFLY JIMMY SNUKA



The match began with both wrestlers arguing with each other in the middle of the ring. Snuka placed Putski in a headlock, but the Polish Power broke the hold and threw the Superfly out of the ring. Snuka came back in the ring and put another headlock on Putski. The referee started yelling at Snuka, accusing him of choking. Both men slugged it out until the match reached a time-limit draw.

OTHER BOUTS: Bob Backlund defeated Playboy Buddy Rose in a WWF heavyweight title match . . . Salvatore Bellomo defeated Johnny Rodz.

Andre Squashes Another Victim

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WHY DID THE GRAND WIZARD SACRIFICE COWBOY BOB ORTON?

AS HE LAY on the dressing room table, Cowboy Bob Orton wasn't a pretty sight. He'd just finished a devastatingly brutal match against Andre the Giant. His body lay limp and his eyes ceased trying to focus. A doctor examined him carefully, shaking his head as he went about his work.

"I can treat his injuries," the doctor muttered, "but I can't treat his stupidities. This man trusted his manager when he must have known better. The Grand Wizard may be a great manager, but he's a miserable human being."

Orton was in too much agony to hear, but Wizard wouldn't have cared if Orton had been taking notes. Wizard had gotten what he wanted from Orton. The man's agonies were of no concern to the manager now. Wizard had other wrestlers and other wars.

It had been the kind of setup for which Wizard is infamous.

Several months ago, he made a contractual agreement to supply a wrestler for a match against Andre the Giant. In return, he got some quick money, enabling



Cowboy Bob Orton feels the effects (above) of being caught under Andre's big splash (opposite page). Why did The Grand Wizard choose Orton to wrestle the undefeated Andre?

him to engineer Superstar Billy Graham's return to the WWF.

After analyzing the strengths and weaknesses of the wrestlers

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**What makes one man happily send
another man to his doom?**

The Grand Wizard knows.

**Cowboy Bob Orton is the latest
man to suffer from his horrible
and potentially deadly power**

RHODES VS. FUNK: THE BLOODY HORROR OF A BARBED WIRE FENCE MATCH



The addition of barbed wire to the wrestling ring is akin to giving each wrestler involved in that match a license to maim and cripple. Dusty Rhodes and Terry Funk wanted to do exactly that to each other, but barbed wire appears to be only the latest chapter in the feud between these two men

TERRY FUNK WAS making his way to the ring when he heard a loud crash. Dusty Rhodes, already in the ring, had smashed a chair against the steel ringpost. The sharp noise startled Funk as much as it had startled every single fan in the Orlando, Florida, wrestling arena.

"Come on in, boy!" shouted Rhodes, "I'm gonna whup your skinny butt! Come on, boy!"

Rhodes sounded vicious, but the most brutal thing about the scene was not the anger in the American Dream's thundering voice. Rather, it was the bizarre transformation that the ring

PHOTOS BY BILL OTTEN



Terry Funk may have second thoughts about entering the ring as Dusty Rhodes threatens him with a chair (left). Funk digs his fingers into a wound that was opened by the barbed wire (below left). This was one of the most exhausting—and bloodiest—matches seen in years.

itself had undertaken that presented a sight of stark, quiet barbarity.

Strung in tandem with the conventional ring ropes, from corner to corner, were three healthy, thick strands of barbed wire.

Imagine the potential for destruction: A normal whip into the ropes becomes a gruesome adventure in ripped flesh; a missed dropkick could send the attacker's legs flying through the ropes and into the barbed wire on a one-way trip to bloody shreds; the facerake along the ropes, normally a maneuver that causes extreme discomfort due to facial rope burn, becomes the kind of sadistic move that could blind a man and disfigure his face for the rest of his life.

Every moment in the ring during a Barbed Wire Match becomes a nightmare of bloody horror, a scramble to avoid mutilation while at the same time trying to find a way to defeat your opponent.

"I'm ready," Rhodes said quietly prior to his Barbed Wire Match with Terry Funk, "I'm gonna teach that little scum a lesson."

Rhodes' emotions ran high as he prepared for this trial by torture. Several weeks earlier, Rhodes and Funk had teamed together in a Barbed Wire Fence Match against Kendo Nagasaki and King Kong Tonga. Dusty was physically and emotionally drained during that match: The final few minutes saw the American Dream slumping against the ropes in an attempt to regain some strength. Funk

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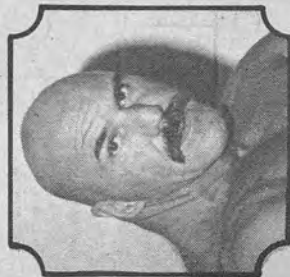
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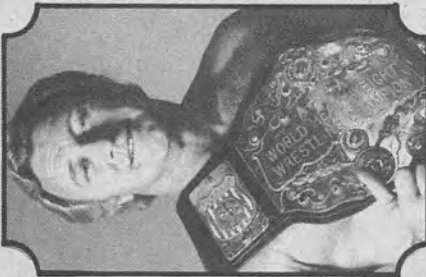


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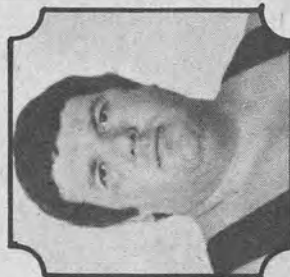


1—SUPERSTAR
GRAHAM

American Wrestling Association



Champion:
NICK BOCKWINKEL



1—OTTO WANZ

National Wrestling Alliance



Champion:
RIC FLAIR



1—WAHOO MCDANIEL

Most Popular Wrestlers

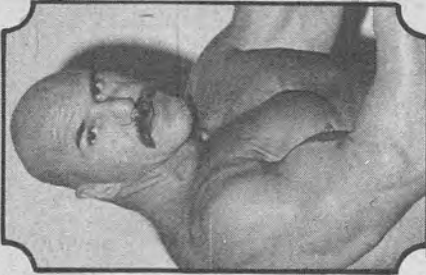


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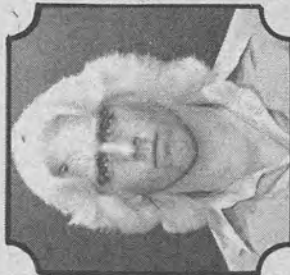


2—RODDY PIPER

Most Hated Wrestlers



1—SUPERSTAR
GRAHAM



2—RIC FLAIR

Tag Teams



1—MR. FUJI
& MR. SAITO

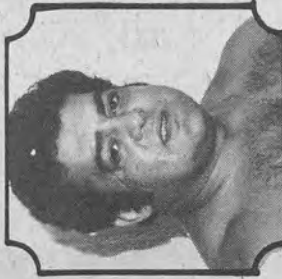




2—RAY STEVENS



3—JIMMY SNUKA



4—PEDRO MORALES

- 5—COWBOY BOB ORTON
- 6—IVAN PUTSKI
- 7—PLAYBOY BUDDY ROSE
- 8—ROCKY JOHNSON
- 9—JOHN STUDD
- 10—MAGNIFICENT MURACO



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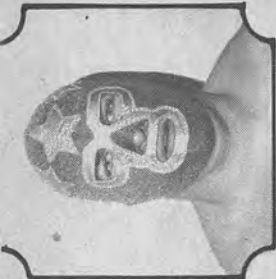


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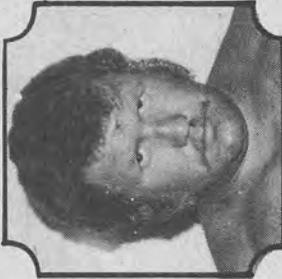
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2—MASKED SUPERSTAR



3—PAUL JONES



4—HARLEY RACE

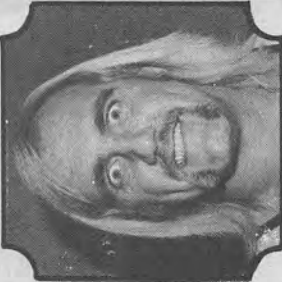
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- 8—RICK MARTEL
- 9—WAHOO McDANIEL
- 10—ROCKY JOHNSON



3—TED DiBIASE



4—PAUL JONES



5—BUZZ SAWYER

- 6—JOHN STUDD
- 7—NICK BOCKWINKEL
- 8—GREAT KAMALA
- 9—SGT. SLAUGHTER
- 10—ABDULLAH THE BUTCHER



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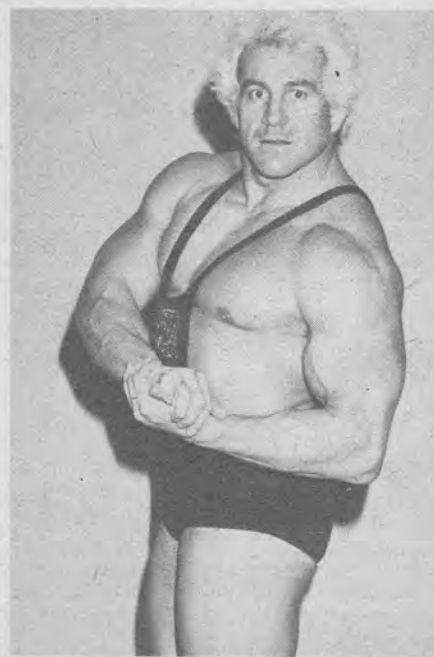
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- 6—JAY & JULES STRONGBOW
- 7—GINO HERNANDEZ & TULLY BLANCHARD
- 8—RICK STEAMBOAT & JAY YOUNGBLOOD
- 9—KEN PATERA & BOBBY DUNCUM
- 10—RICK MORTON & KEN LUCAS

Hulk Hogan or Ken Patera: WHO IS REALLY WRESTLING'S STRONGEST MAN?



TALE OF THE TAPE

HOGAN		PATERA
6'8"	<i>Height</i>	6'2"
320	<i>Weight</i>	275
90"	<i>Reach</i>	84"
60"	<i>Chest</i>	52"
	<i>(normal)</i>	
64¼"	<i>Chest</i>	55½"
	<i>(expanded)</i>	
38"	<i>Waist</i>	37"
22"	<i>Neck</i>	21"
31"	<i>Thigh</i>	30"
24"	<i>Bicep</i>	21½"
19"	<i>Forearm</i>	17½"
9"	<i>Wrist</i>	8½"
14"	<i>Ankle</i>	12"



THERE ARE MANY different styles a potential wrestler might adopt that will make him successful.

Some men choose speed: A wrestler who is quick on his feet can be a formidable opponent.

He can dodge maneuvers as fast as his opponent can initiate them, and this makes him a tough man to wear down.

Other wrestlers opt for size. It's not easy to bodyslam a man like Andre the Giant or Crusher

Blackwell, and these men use their considerable bulk as a weapon in the ring. They are also tough men to wear down during a match.

Then there are men like Hulk Hogan and Ken Patera. Their

Both Hulk Hogan and Ken Patera have developed physiques that accent power and muscle over anything else, and they have both built up highly impressive records in the squared circle. But on a purely objective basis, which man is stronger? That's a question even the editorial staff of "Inside Wrestling" doesn't agree on



Patera utilizes his tremendous upper body and arm strength in applying a rib-crushing bearhug on Tommy Rich (above). Patera throws the tire during CBS's World's Strongest Man Competition (right). Nautilus weights helped transform Patera's build from that of a bulky powerlifter to a streamlined bodybuilder (bottom right).

training regimen is directed toward pure, raw strength. Power is their goal, and both men have achieved that goal, using muscular energy to achieve a record in the ring as imposing as their respective physiques.

A look at the Tale of the Tape will give you an idea of the strength contained in each of these astounding men. Joe Louis, widely acknowledged as perhaps the most powerful heavyweight champion in boxing history, weighed a mere 197¼ pounds. By comparison, Patera weighs 275 and Hogan 320.

Look at bicep and forearm measurements: Louis measured 15 inches and 12 inches, respectively. In fact, Hogan and Patera each outdo Louis' measurements in every category.

But Hogan and Patera are wrestlers, not boxers, and their bodies are geared toward this most grueling of all sports. As

such, they can channel the power of their awesome physiques into various wrestling tactics and maneuvers.

But the question continues to gnaw at even the most veteran observers of wrestling: Which man is the strongest? Sure, Patera bills himself as "Wrestling's Strongest Man," but Hogan has met him in the ring several times and more than held his own in tests of strength.

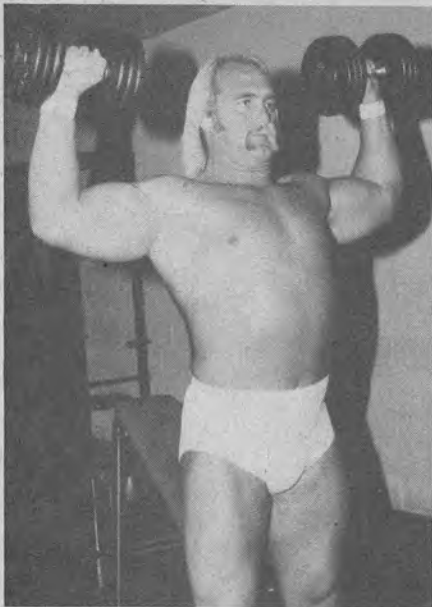
Inside Wrestling polled several of its editors to determine which man is stronger. Here are some of the results.

Stu Saks, assistant editor: "I would have to say that Ken Patera is the stronger of the two men. He was a bronze medalist in the 1972 Olympic weightlifting competition, he has competed in CBS's World's Strongest Man Competition, and he's applied a completely different training approach in



making the difficult transition from the physique of a bulky weightlifter to that of a muscular bodybuilder. It's a different approach, with lighter weights and more repetition of the weights being lifted, and I think the speed he's added as a result has been responsible for his success in the ring. Patera calls himself the World's Strongest Wrestler, and I would have to agree."

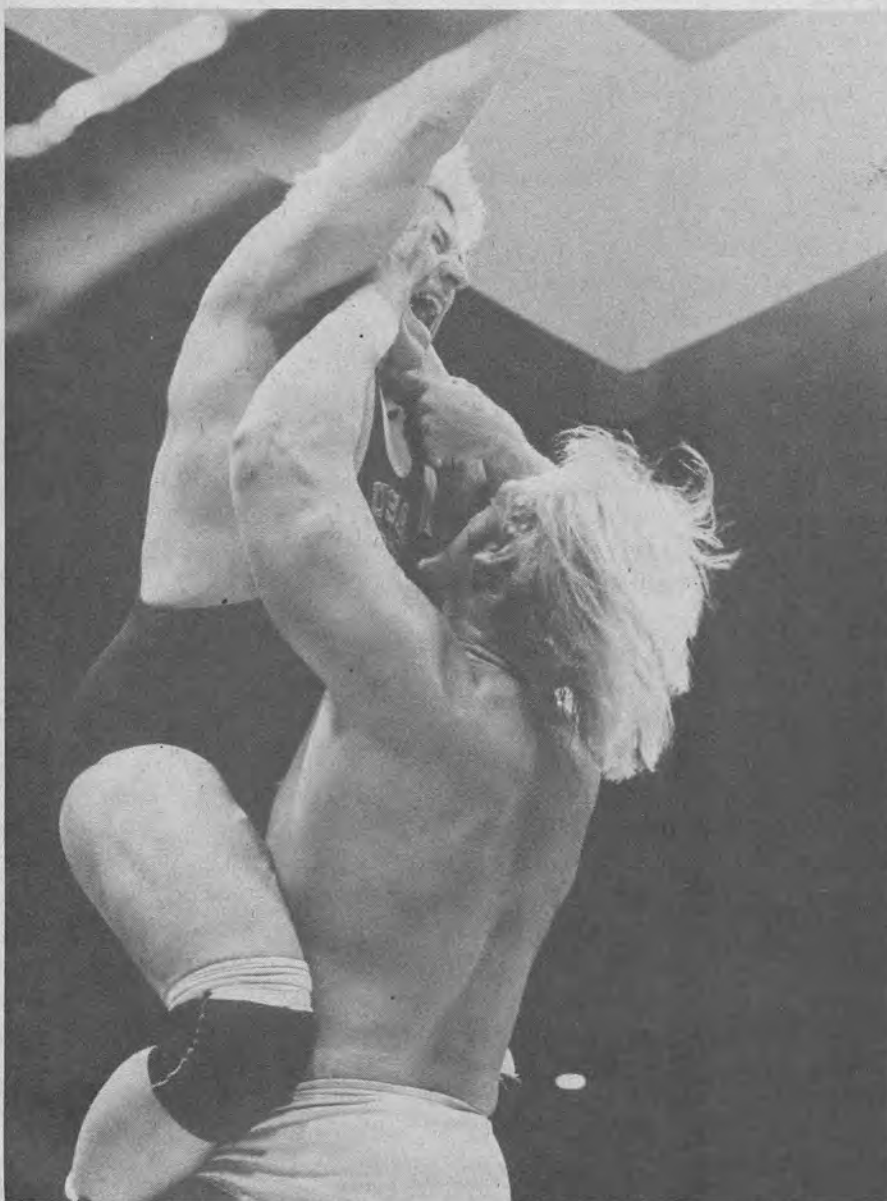
Bill Apter, managing editor: "When I saw Hulk Hogan wrestle Ken Patera, I was



shocked by the kinds of tests of power that went on in the ring. It was amazing, really. Usually, when either of these two guys get in the ring against anybody, it's like a Samson and Goliath kind of deal: the big man against the



Hogan loosens up before a match with a pair of dumbbells (above left). Though he has Patera at his mercy (above right and below), Hogan will admit that their face-to-face encounters have not determined conclusively who the stronger man is.



little challenger. But when these two get together, all hell breaks loose. It's too close to call, as far as I'm concerned."

Richard Countis, associate editor: "There's no contest, it's got to be Hogan. He's got six inches on Patera in height, an eight-inch advantage in the chest, and a 55-pound weight advantage. The rest of the measurements of the Tale of the Tape all tell the same story: Hogan is far, far superior. There's just no contest. Right down the line, Hogan is larger, more powerful, and all in all meaner than Patera can ever hope to be."

Craig Peters, associate editor: "This is a tough one to call. Hogan has the statistical edge, but Patera gains some extra power because his physique is more streamlined. This gives him more speed on his feet than Hogan, and you've got to count that when you consider strength, because we're talking about a match situation here, not which man can break more boulders faster with a sledgehammer. You've got to consider power in practice, not just raw muscle, and all things considered I would have to give the edge to Patera."

The remaining editors were split in their opinions. Peter King argued in favor of Hogan being the stronger of the two, while Dan Shocket and Matt Brock both thought the issue was too close to call.

The full staff results? Two editors for Hogan, two for Patera, and three who claim it's too close to call. The issue, therefore, becomes one of personal opinion. Until some sort of an objective measurement system is developed to determine which man is stronger, or until the issue is conclusively settled in the ring, the question will remain unanswered. □

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capsule profile

BRAD RHEINGANS

A FORMER All-America and national amateur wrestling champion (*"I think an amateur wrestling background is necessary before anyone can even contemplate a professional career"*)... Graduated from North Dakota State, the same college that WWF champion Bob Backlund graduated from (*"Backlund was a hero to those of us on the wrestling team and I guess he still is a hero to me"*)... Backlund convinced Brad to become a professional wrestler (*"I stayed at his home for a couple of months and he gave me the best basic training any rookie could hope for"*)... Currently in the AWA (*"I didn't want to follow in Bob's footsteps exactly; I had to make my own way"*)... Quickly became embroiled in feuds with Bobby Duncum and Ken Patera (*"Ever since I was a kid, I've always found myself battling bullies"*)...

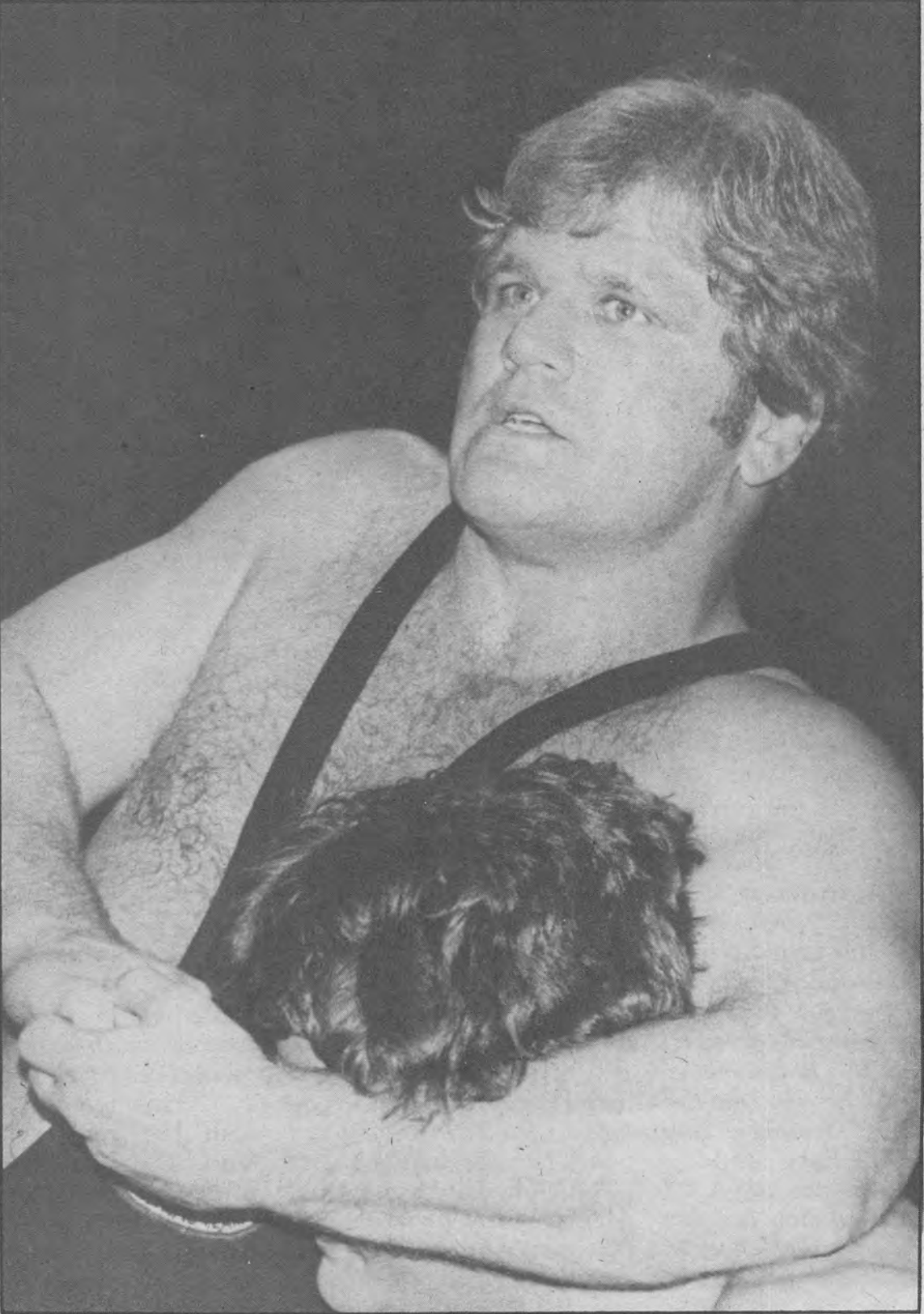


Rheingans, whose amateur credits include a berth on the 1980 U.S. Olympic squad, a fourth-place finish in Greco-Roman wrestling at the 1976 Olympics, and two Pan American Games gold medals, is making a remarkably fast transition to the blistering pace of the professional ranks.

Not many rookies would have the courage to take on two of the most dangerous men in wrestling (*"I didn't go looking for them, but I'm not going to run away, either"*)... Also finds himself pitted against Crusher Blackwell (*"Someone has to show that slob he can't ride roughshod over the sport"*)... Loves the life of a wrestler (*"You meet a lot of people and earn good money"*)... Hopes to someday be a major champion

(*"I've been a champion one way or another all my life; I guess I've gotten used to it"*)... Has teamed recently with the reformed Baron Von Raschke (*"He has taught me more than anyone I've known"*)... Has become more adept at tag team wrestling (*"It was a new experience for me, but it's been fun to learn"*)... Has one ultimate goal (*"I plan to be the best I can be"*). □

CAPSULE PROFILE PINUP



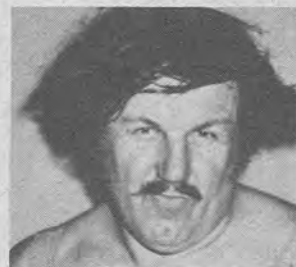
BRAD RHEINGANS

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Each day, out of the thousands of letters we receive, hundreds of them are from fans asking the whereabouts of their favorite wrestler. In this special column, we will try to answer the questions you ask the most!

MOOSE CHOLAK

The big man still wrestles in the World Wrestling Association territory, an area of the country encompassing arenas in Chicago, Indianapolis, and other cities in the Midwest. "I'll never give up wrestling," says Cholak, "and it's great to know that the fans out there are still asking about me. I love 'em all."

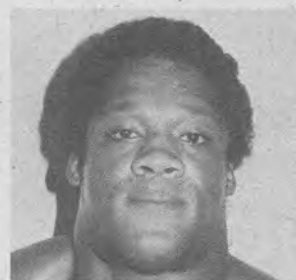


BILLY VARGA

The man known as Count Billy Varga has been retired from the mat wars for many years. Since then, he has been in several movies, building himself a fine reputation as a character actor. He is also a member of the "Cauliflower Ear Club," a West Coast-based group of veteran boxers and wrestlers.

TONY ATLAS

Mr. U.S.A. is currently wrestling in the Texas area, teaming up with the popular Junkyard Dog. This explosive tag team combination is known as the "Soul Patrol." Atlas is also engaged in solo wrestling matches, and says that he is determined to wrestle Nick Bockwinkel for the AWA heavyweight title.

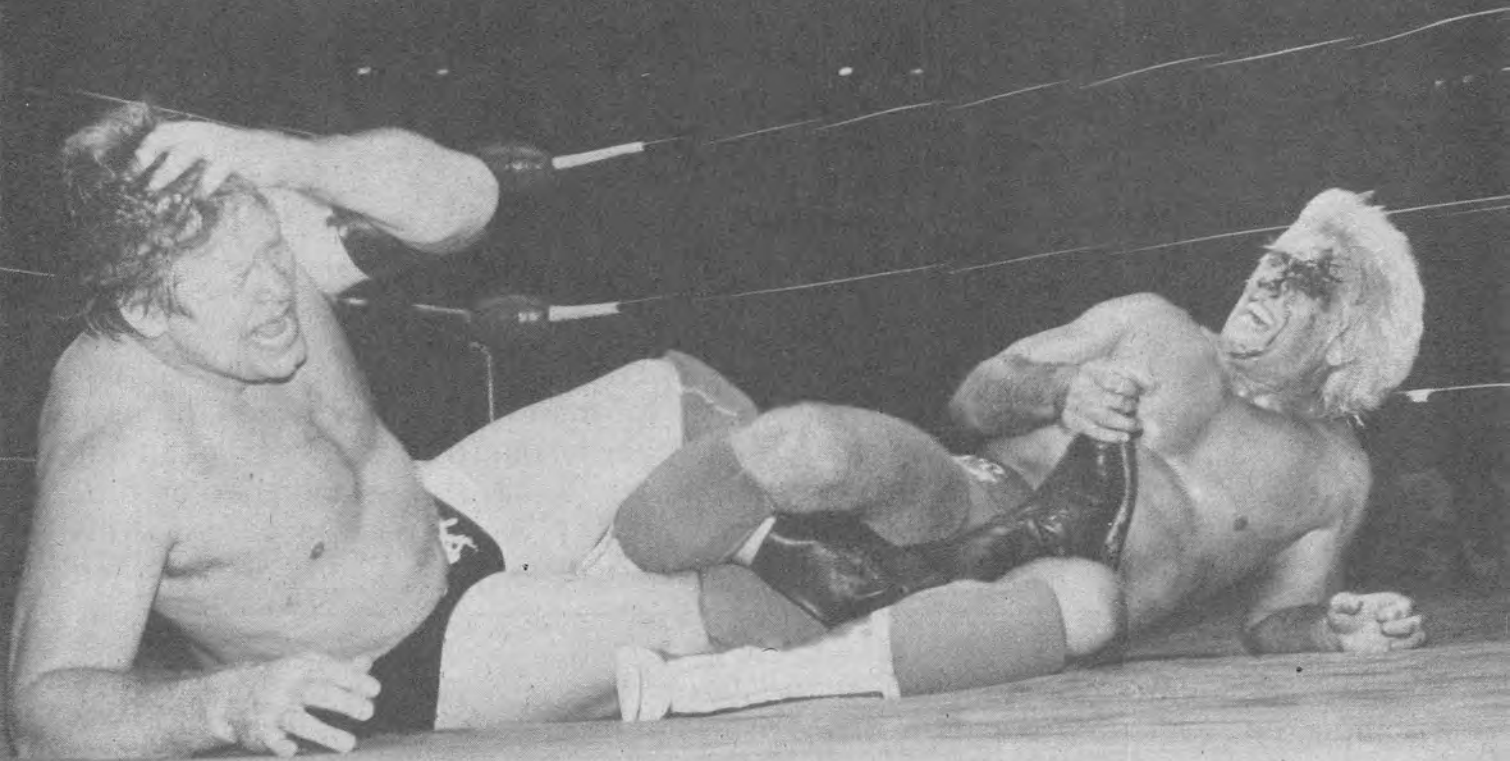


ERNIE LADD

This Big Cat has recently joined King J.J. Dillon's royal family in Florida and has been engaged in vicious feuds with both Dusty Rhodes and Outlaw Ron Bass. "Dillon has got a lock on the state of Florida," Ladd says, "and I'm happy to help him run Rhodes out of the state. I'll whup that fat sucker into the Gulf of Mexico!"

The Flair-Hansen Brawl: **WRESTLING THE WAY IT SHOULD BE**

According to our reporter, this bout might have been the best championship match in wrestling history. Two feared rulebreakers battled at their most ferocious; to the victor belonged one of wrestling's top prizes!



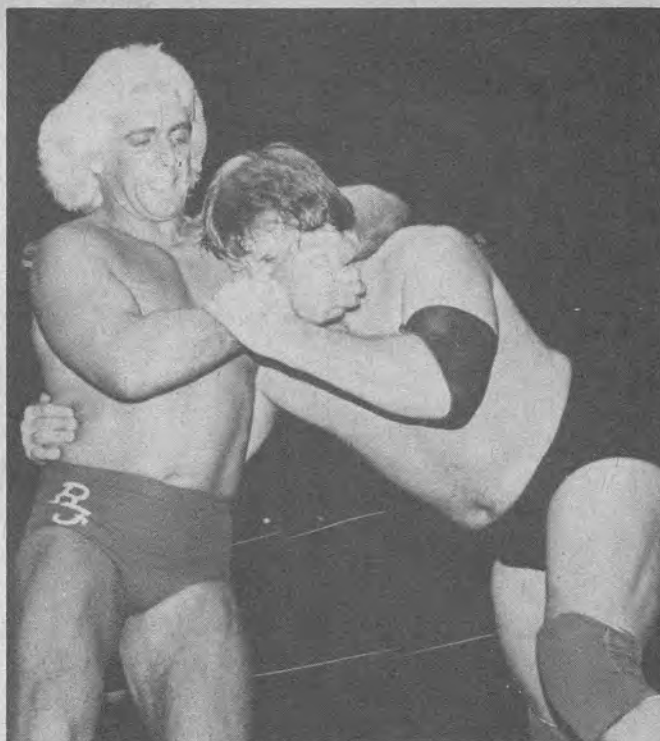
By Dan Shocket

IT WAS ONE of the great nights in wrestling history. Two superb wrestlers battled relentlessly for one of the sport's top prizes. It was an honor to be at ringside.

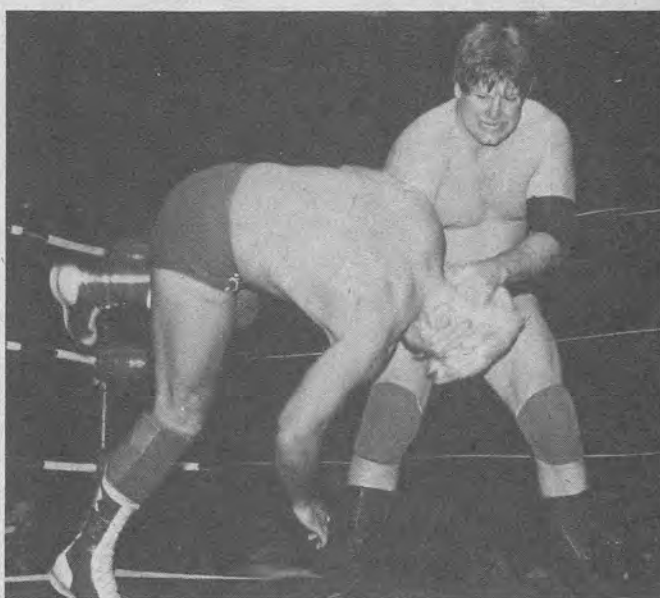
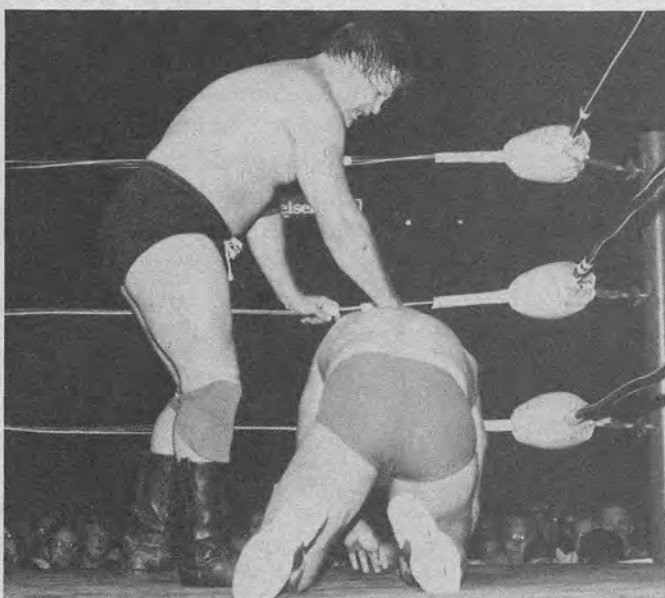
In the past, I have been less than overjoyed at the title reign of Ric Flair. I have suspected the man's courage, intelligence, and athletic ability. I apologize happily to Mr. Flair and the world, in that

order. Ric Flair is a champion everyone should admire.

The man has matured into one of the best grapplers in the sport's history. He is quick, powerful, and as smart as a whip. A whip is an excellent simile for this man who strikes with force and lightning speed. At the moment he is great. He has the potential to be one of the immortals.



The NWA title match between champion Ric Flair and challenger Stan Hansen was a wild brawl between two aggressive wrestlers. Flair ignores the blood on his forehead as he reacts to a knee in the groin (above left). Early in the match, the champion, wrestling scientifically, employs a headlock (above right). Things go wild as Hansen pushes Flair's throat on to the bottom rope (below left). Hansen grimaces as he takes Flair down with a snapmare (below right). Despite the brawling, both men claimed to have enjoyed the match.



PHOTOS BY EMMY YATES

All that was needed was the right opponent. We will always be grateful to fate for supplying Flair with a man to demonstrate his genius. Stan Hansen is a superb wrestler and a magnificent competitor. He lusts for victory with every fiber in his large and powerful body. He is equal to any task, outwardly unafraid of any challenge. He will not let an opponent win.

Stan Hansen must be defeated. It is no wonder the promoters resisted letting these grapplers wrestle each other. After seeing a match between these two men, fans would never again be satisfied watching Flair decimate wimps like Tommy Rich or Dusty Rhodes. Flair's title reign has been crippled by the poor quality of his opponents. The NWA forces fan

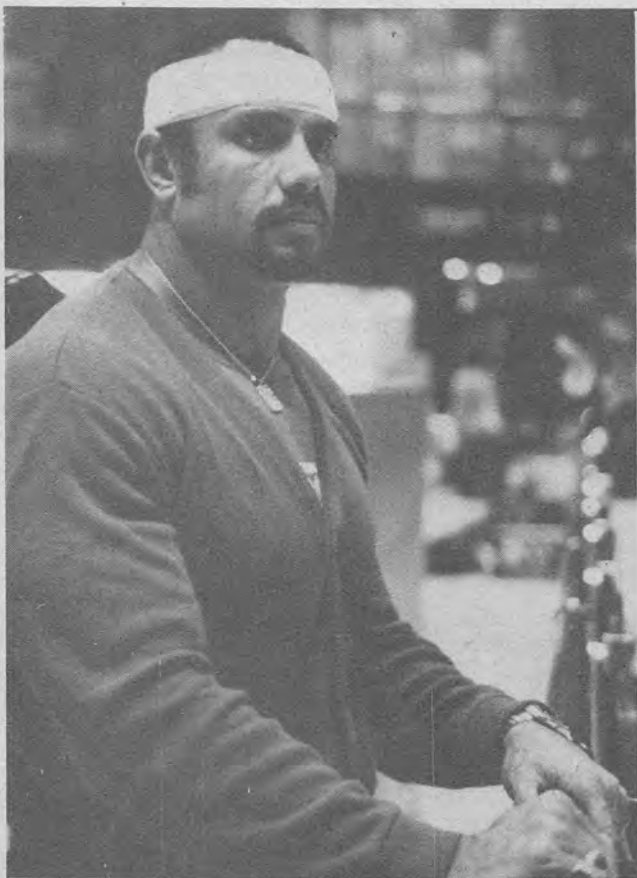
favorites on Flair, not allowing him to show the world his wondrous abilities. As long as the fans love it, the NWA is happy. Ric Flair's championship era has been crucified on the cross of fan stupidity.

Thus there was great resistance to the Hansen challenge from NWA officials. Only after Hansen insisted and

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Matt Brock's **PLAIN SPEAKING**



JIMMY SNUKA

ALLENTOWN, PA: I don't have to tell you what happened. You all saw on television or read in any one of half a dozen wrestling magazines how Jimmy "Superfly" Snuka was savaged by Captain Lou Albano, Fred Blassie, and Ray Stevens. Well, there are two more things that need to be said: First, Buddy Rogers is now officially Snuka's manager. We'll no doubt see a major shift in the managerial power base of the WWF in the near future. Second, a lot of people have written to me with the same question: Why didn't anyone come to Snuka's aid when he was being attacked by Stevens? I don't know the answer to that one, but I suspect that Albano himself had something to do with it. I wouldn't

be surprised if that fat fiend went around to all the dressing rooms and jimmed them all shut so that even if Jay Strongbow or Ivan Putski *wanted* to come to Jimmy's aid, they couldn't. I don't know, but I'm going to look into it. I'll keep you informed if I discover anything.

AMARILLO, TX: Terry Funk has gone and made a duplicate of the NWA belt. If you refer to Stu Saks' "Behind the Dressing Room Door" column on page 12 of this magazine, you'll get some more information on that. I just want to say that I'm disappointed in Funk. Okay, I know all about him. I've seen the way he's feuded with Dusty Rhodes recently, and there have been times when I would have condemned Funk at the drop of a hat. But this time he's gone too far. This time he's crossed over from stupidity into pure childishness. How anyone can take him seriously after what he's done is beyond me, and I'll be surprised and ashamed if any wrestler recognizes this man as any kind of champion.



TERRY FUNK

Harder than nails, veteran wrestling reporter Matt Brock has logged more miles covering wrestling than any other journalist. Every month Matt will travel to the sport's hotbeds, reporting everything he sees without fear or favor

ATLANTA, GA: So the King wants to expand his kingdom, does he? Apparently he does. Jerry Lawler, the self-proclaimed King of Wrestling, is in Georgia with his sights set on none other than Roddy Piper. "I don't see why I can't expand my kingdom," Lawler says, "and to me, Georgia looks like the perfect area to expand into. You know, Roddy Piper is the big man down here, and I'm after Piper. I've heard about him. I know he wears a dress. I've heard him talk on television, and he spends about half his time

trying to be witty. I guess that makes Piper a halfwit, doesn't it? Well, whatever he is, I'm ready to wrestle. I don't want to kid around. If Piper is the top dog in Georgia, then he's the one I want. Once I defeat him, it's on to the rest of the country." Georgia is in for some fireworks over the next few months, that's for sure.

TAMPA, FL: Talking about expansion, I wouldn't be surprised if J.J. Dillon is in cahoots with Lawler to do something to tear the Georgia area apart at the seams. As Dillon's deathlock on the Florida area continues, his expansion into Georgia is imminent. According to recent interviews, Dillon is going to bring The Moondogs into Atlanta, and he's after the big one: the Georgia National tag team belts. I don't know what else Dillon has on his scheming little mind, but I'm sure that he's got a lot of ideas if he's bringing Rex and Spot back to the States.

NEW YORK, NY: I've never seen Peter King so excited. As you know, Peter is editor-in-chief of the world's leading wrestling magazines: *Pro Wrestling Illustrated*, *Wrestling Superstars*, *The Wrestler*, *Sports Review Wrestling*, and, of course, *Inside Wrestling*. Well, Peter was thrilled, and it's no wonder: He and his staff have two big projects in the works, and these magazines should be on your newsstand the last week of December. The first is the special March 1983 issue of *Pro Wrestling Illustrated*. It's a spectacular package that contains the results of your votes for the best wrestlers and matches of 1982, The Year in Review (a special section looking back on 1982), and a breathtaking pinup of none other than Andre the Giant! If that's not enough, the other project is... now get ready... the *Pro Wrestling Illustrated Annual* for 1983! This one is so special I can't even reveal the contents yet, except to say that there will be four big pages of color, including a huge two-page centerfold match-action poster of Killer Khan vs. Andre the Giant. This one is not to be missed! □



JERRY LAWLER

ONE ON



LOU ALBANO

(The conflict between Buddy Rogers and Captain Lou Albano has reached epic proportions—and Superfly Jimmy Snuka is caught in the middle of it all. Albano has managed Snuka ever since the Superfly first entered the WWF so many months ago. Rogers, who managed Snuka several years ago in the Mid-Atlantic area, claims that Albano has been mishandling Snuka's contract. Rogers and Albano have had several heated arguments during televised segments of WWF wrestling, and the editors of "Inside Wrestling" felt the time was right to allow these two men to battle it out . . . One on One.)



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LOU ALBANO:

You know, Mr. Buddy Rogers, you have one helluva nerve sticking your neck in . . .

BUDDY ROGERS:

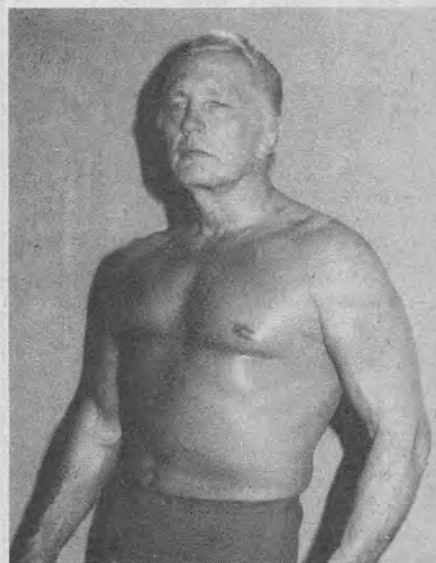
Wait a minute, you slob, I think *you're* the one with the nerve. To take a man with the

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BUDDY ROGERS

talent, the ability, the wrestling genius of Jimmy "Superfly" Snuka, and cheat him out of thousands upon thousands of dollars, giving him nothing but a pie in the sky while you go sneaking off to the bank to make deposits in your own account.

LA: You're a liar, Rogers, you're a liar and a slanderer, and

you're involving yourself in things that don't concern you at all.

BR: You're wrong, because this situation *does* concern me, just as it concerns every wrestler who has ever considered having a manager, and just as it concerns every right-thinking wrestling fan who believes that managers

shouldn't steal money from wrestlers' pockets.

LA: Now you're calling me a thief! You know, ever since you began to stick your nose into my affairs, you've done nothing but try to prove me a thief, try to break up my relationship with Jimmy Snuka, lie to the people on television, in print, and everywhere else you manage to find people stupid enough to listen to you.

BR: The fans aren't stupid, Albano. They recognize you for what you are. They know that you have cheated Jimmy Snuka out of money that is rightfully his.

LA: How do they know? What the hell are you talking about?

BR: I'm talking about the fact that
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ON THE ROAD

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Woogie Man.

Jos LeDuc was quickly commissioned by Humperdink to fill Koloff's boots. From Humperdink's point of view, it was a wise decision.

"I know what Humperdink is trying to do," Valiant told me before his match with Jos LeDuc in Charlotte. "I know he's trying to eliminate me from wrestling. First he sends Koloff in after me, and nearly succeeds in wiping me out. I'm telling you, and this is no lie, Koloff was one of the toughest challenges of my entire career. Everywhere I turned, there he was. Again and again, I had to battle that Russian snake."

"Now the same thing is happening with LeDuc," he continued, "except LeDuc is fresh off of a vacation, and I'm not at full strength. My matches with LeDuc are becoming even more of a chore than my matches with Koloff ever were."

There's one thing, however, that keeps Handsome Jimmy Valiant going.



Valiant drives a chair into LeDuc's chest while looking to the fans for support. Valiant admits it's the fans' cheers that have kept him going.

"The fans," says Valiant. "If it wasn't for the fans, I would have been defeated and gone long ago. I find myself in these bloody matches and sometimes I just don't have the strength to go on another second more. Then I hear the cheers of the fans; I feel their support through their screams and applause. It's like food to a starving man. It gives me the strength to go on, and hopefully it'll give me the strength to continue against LeDuc, against Koloff, or against any other maniac that Humperdink, in his insane plan, feels he can throw against me."

The voice of the cabdriver derailed my train of thought: "What do you think about that, huh?"

I stuttered and mumbled; I hadn't heard what he had said.

"I said, I'll bet Valiant finishes off LeDuc before the year is out. What do you think about that?" he repeated.

"I don't know," I replied as the cab turned into the airport, "I think he's got his work cut out for him."

"I hear that," the cabbie said, "LeDuc is one mean son of a..."

"But you know something?" I asked rhetorically. "I think that as long as the fans keep supporting him, he won't fall to Sir Oliver Humperdink's clowns. That's the key here, fan support. As long as he's still got that, he can't lose."

"Well, he's got my support," the driver said as he pulled in front of the terminal and stopped the cab. I got out of the back seat, handed him a 10-spot, and waved as I walked through the sliding glass door to the ticket counter beyond. The cabdriver smiled back at me. That's one man, I thought, who won't let Handsome Jimmy Valiant lose faith in himself. □

HARLEY RACE

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Race is expert at finishing an opponent who is down on the mat. Harley goes high in the air to deliver an elbowsmash against Jumbo Tsuruta in Japan (above). Race won the WWA heavyweight title from Bobo Brazil in April (below) and still reigns as champion.



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DRESSING ROOM DOOR

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The answer is pretty obvious!"

I tried to explain to him that there are proper channels to go through if he truly feels he has been unjustly deprived of a title shot. Certainly, he could appeal to the NWA Ratings Committee.

"No," he shouted. "I'm not gonna go beggin' to anybody on my hands and knees. The NWA screwed me and I'm gonna get back at them the best way I know."

If Funk's plan is successful, cities that are currently aligned with the NWA and recognize Ric Flair as champion will soon recognize a new champion. "I've written to every promoter telling them that the new NWA champion is available if the competition and the price is right," he said.

As shameful as the tactics this

Terry Funk has every right to be proud of his belt when he was NWA champion back in 1976. Now he is impersonating a champion and should be ashamed.

man has used through the years may be, nothing he has ever done in the ring can compare to this. The NWA has been in existence since 1895. The men who have held the belt are regarded with a reverence reserved just for that select group. Terry Funk himself once wore the belt whose image he is now working so hard to tarnish.

I don't expect any promoters to take his self-proclaimed championship status seriously. The mere fact that he is making this attempt, however, makes him worthy of the contempt of every wrestler and wrestling fan.

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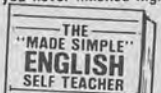


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RHODES-FUNK

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felt it was an indication that Dusty had abandoned him; he joined Nagasaki and Tonga in a three-on-one attack on Rhodes. Rhodes demanded that the score be settled one on one in a ring surrounded by barbed wire.

"Come on in the ring, boy, haul it on in here!" screamed Rhodes as Funk gazed up to the ring in surprise. Rhodes was on fire, and it was Terry Funk's presence that fueled his hatred.

When Funk managed to get into the ring, it was as if hell on earth itself had come to pass.

Funk was as anxious to vent some hostility on Dusty as the American Dream was determined to eliminate Funk. Rhodes, however, became the first victim of bloodshed, although it was

Dream let out a cry of pain. The barbed wire had cut deeply into his arm, sending a stream of blood running down to his forearm and dripping on to his leg.

Funk pressed his advantage and ran to the ropes. He grabbed one strand of wire with his right hand and raked it across Rhodes' head while women at ringside shrieked in horror. A moan of pain from deep within Dusty's chest found its way to the ears of the ringside crowd, and to Terry Funk. It was a cry that caused one woman at ringside to faint and most other observers to shudder in awestruck disgust. It was a cry that seemed to provide Terry Funk with the will to continue.



Rhodes is almost paralyzed by pain on the mat, unable to move due to a great loss of blood. Funk rakes his fingernails across Rhodes' face, drawing even more blood. Both men were counted out inside the ring.

because Funk bit Rhodes' forehead—early in the match, both men were careful to stay in ring center, as far from the barbed wire as possible.

Rhodes struggled to his feet in an attempt to wage an attack, but Funk had gained a quick advantage. He threw Dusty into the ring ropes, and the American

Funk attacked Rhodes like a juggernaut. Dragging the American Dream back to the center of the ring, Funk waged a brutal attack on Rhodes' body, widening the gashes on both his head and his arm. All of Funk's energy was directed toward his pursuit of inflicting as much pain as possible on Dusty Rhodes.

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and Rhodes himself was beginning to buckle under the continuing attack.

Again and again, Funk pressed his advantage. It seemed if he would expend all his energy in his attack of Rhodes, but still he continued. He clutched at Rhodes' arm, digging his fingers into the flesh, causing the wound to open even more than before, causing the blood to flow even thicker than before.

Suddenly, Rhodes collapsed in a heap in the center of the ring. It was as if all the bones had been removed from his body. There was no movement of even a single muscle. The American Dream was unconscious.

Funk, realizing what he had done, raised his hands with enthusiasm and jumped to his feet. As he did so, he let out a cry of pain. His own leg had been cut by the barbed wire and his face had suffered numerous lacerations, but because he had been so intent on injuring Rhodes, he hadn't noticed his own wounds until now. In addition, every iota of energy was gone from his limbs. As quickly as he rose to his feet, he fell to the canvas once again.

Both men were counted out inside the ring. Each man had battled fiercely to eliminate the other, and each had expended an enormous amount of energy. Rhodes, in particular, had lost a great deal of blood as well.

A Barbed Wire Match is a horrible thing to witness, but perhaps the most horrible aspect of the battle between Funk and Rhodes is that this torturous trial within a ring of barbed wire did nothing to settle the differences between the two men.

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BODYSLAM & PINFALLS

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do what he's done. He's chosen his stooges carefully and made sure they follow his orders. It isn't as easy as it seems to get the fans on your side, allowing you to cheat without anyone complaining. I know at least a dozen guys who should have beaten Backlund for the title. But he still has the belt. You can't forget that.

"I'm ready. I've never been more ready in my life. For the past few months, I've been learning all there is to know about Backlund. The poor boy has some bad habits. It would be foolish of me to list them, but they're going to cost him the title. I've studied the films and the punk is doomed. You can bet the mortgage on that."

Even Backlund senses something horrible is about to happen. You can tell it in the way he brags, in the way he fights like a trapped rat to get his favorite referees selected to work his bouts against Graham, and the way he pleads with the fans for applause. He's desperately trying to convince the commissioners that his title is worth saving.

It's only right that Graham should be the man to take Backlund's disgraced belt. It was Graham from whom Backlund took the belt; the first title match in which Backlund cheated to win. As everyone knows, and the films of the match proved, Graham's leg was on the rope when the referee



All-American boy Backlund jumped Graham from behind before their match at Madison Square Garden, and he still couldn't win. Once Graham turned matters around, all-American boy Backlund had to save his title by "accidentally" slugging referee Dick Kroll.

counted to three. In those days, we assumed it was an honest mistake by the official. Little did we know it would be one of many such despicable examples of corruption. During his title reign, Backlund has made the WWF title synonymous with shame.

All wrestling should be proud that Graham has returned to retrieve his rightful glory. He will be cruel, ruthless, and successful. Backlund will be sent to the disgrace he so richly deserves. Graham is confident and ready, and those who love wrestling can rest assured that justice will triumph.

Backlund's reign of disgrace is coming to an end. For that, we must all be grateful. Graham's second title reign is about to begin. For that, we can all get ready to enjoy some of the finest wrestling in the sport's history.

Let us prepare for the second golden era. □

THE INSIDER

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Mascaras and Dos Caras were spotted on Halloween evening, and there is no way to substantiate whether any of them were Blanchard or Hernandez.

RUMOR: Jerry Lawler is going to quit wrestling and devote himself entirely to a singing career.

FACT: Although Lawler does have a record album out, he maintains that this is only a sidelight. "Wrestling is my first love, I'll never quit," says Lawler.

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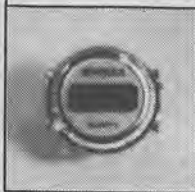
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COWBOY BOB ORTON

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available to him, Wizard chose Orton for this thankless job. A man who starts fast, Orton would batter Andre in the early going. Later, when Andre got his rhythm, Orton would be vulnerable. Andre would pay a price for his victory, but Orton would pay much more. Wizard felt he could live with that trade.

Just to make sure, Wizard engineered a strategy that was guaranteed to do his dirty work. Orton's maneuvers were sure to give Andre trouble in the beginning, perhaps do him minor injury. However, there was great risk. This was a reckless strategy, and anything less than perfection would spell Orton's doom. Wizard didn't concern himself about the risk.

It went just like Wizard planned. For the first few minutes, Orton was glorious. He had Andre down and hurt. The gargantuan grappler was stunned. He desperately went on the defensive, trying to stop the Orton whirlwind. Even Wizard was impressed. For a time, it looked like Orton would hand Andre his first defeat. Then Orton made a small but fatal mistake.

From then on, it was all over but the agony. You don't give Andre an opening. The expert athlete went for the kill. He didn't intend to knock Orton senseless, but the proud Cowboy wouldn't surrender. Near the end, even Andre was begging the referee to stop the carnage. Orton refused to admit defeat until his body would no longer function.

After the match, Orton was helped to his dressing room by paramedics. Wizard was nowhere to be seen. By the time the doctor's examination was over, Wizard had left the building. He never even



Before the match, the Wizard tries to pump up his protege with words of praise. After the match, Orton spent more time with the doctor than with his manager.

bothered to find out what had happened to his wrestler. Orton was taken back to his motel by a couple of friends. When one of them mentioned Wizard was a rat, Orton retorted, "Don't blame him. Andre beat me."

That's Wizard's greatest gift. He can engineer a wrestler's downfall and the man never accepts that Wizard is to blame. He brainwashes his wrestlers, making them believe he is after their best interests. Even as Orton lay exhausted on his bed, battered and aching, lucky to be able to continue his career, he talked on the telephone with Wizard, asking his mentor what went wrong. Wizard generously told him that perhaps the strategy was too reckless for any man to apply precisely. Orton said he agreed.

Wizard once again has it his own way. It will be months before Orton is fully recovered. Andre has had his match against a Wizard-trained opponent. The wrestlers Wizard wanted intact for his future plans remained so. And Superstar Billy Graham is back in the WWF and the ranked number-one contender.

As the doctor said, "Wizard may be a great manager, but he's a miserable human being." □

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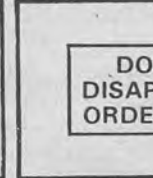
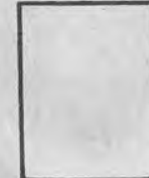
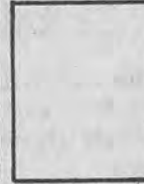
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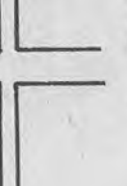
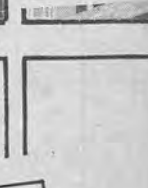
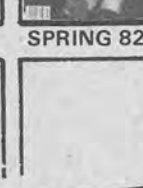
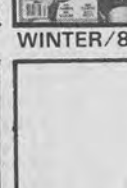


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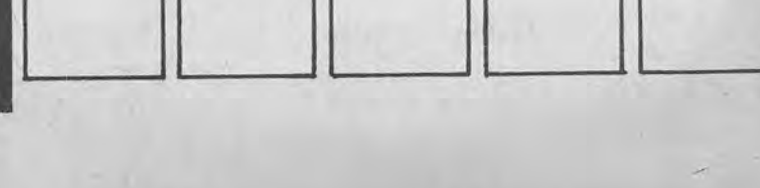
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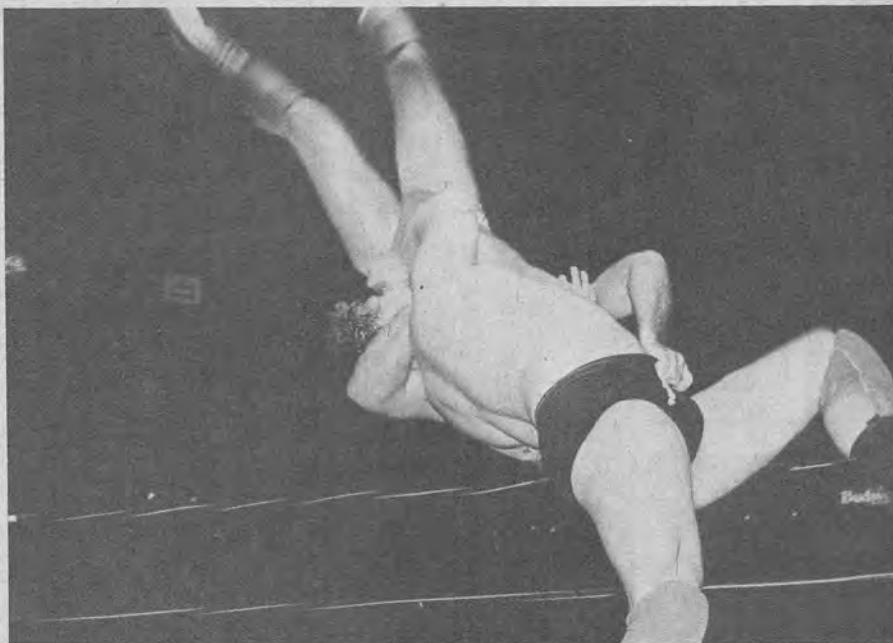
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Flair-Hansen

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Above: Flair crashes to the canvas after being captured in Hansen's suplex. Below: The champion tries to get to his feet, but the pain from Hansen's figure-four armbar makes the trip torturous. The fast-paced battle brought spectators in the Omni to their feet, screaming in approval.



Flair demanded did the officials finally consent.

Finally, the night of the match arrived. The most perceptive crowd in a long time gathered to witness this great confrontation at the Omni in Atlanta. As the fans filed in, Flair sat anxiously in his dressing room.

"This is the big one," he told friends gathered by his side. "Hansen knows me better than

any opponent I've ever faced. He's also tougher than those clowns I usually face. Hansen is a friend. I've told him things I never expected to tell an opponent. If I win this one, I really am a great champion. I haven't been so nervous in years."

Hansen sat quietly in his dressing room. Leaning against the lockers, he stared blankly

into space. Stan was looking at something inside his mind, studying the possibilities. All his life he's wanted to be NWA champion. Tonight he felt was his best shot.

The two superb athletes finally marched into the arena. The crowd was tense with excitement. The bell rang. One of the great battles of all time began.

From the very first, it was a savage encounter. The two men gave no mercy nor expected any. Swift and vicious maneuvers followed one another in rapid succession. Spectators were startled that human beings could absorb this kind of punishment. Lesser men would have surrendered within the first five minutes. These men were incapable of surrender.

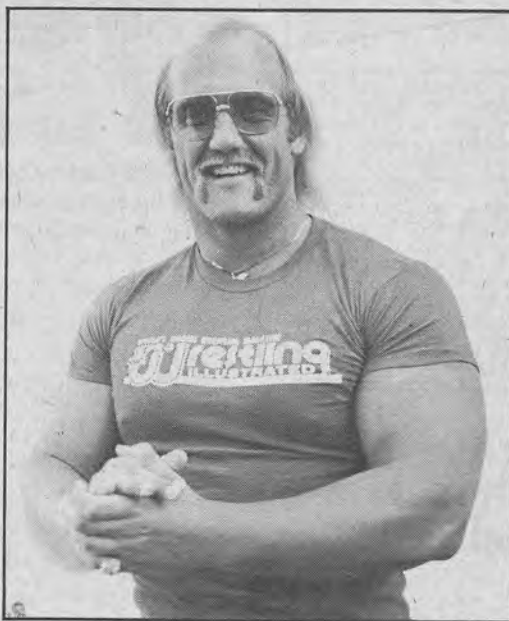
I will let the photos describe the particulars. Instead, let me try to transmit a sense of what it was like to watch this extraordinary contest. At first, one was breathless with awe, as if some great work of art was being created little by little. Then excitement took over, making the heart pump faster. The battlers brought you into the action, and some sixth sense let you understand their glory and pain. Finally, spectators were forced to their feet by excitement, as if standing was the only way to free this overpowering energy.

The ring proved too small to contain this exemplary exhibition of wrestling genius. The two men stumbled out of the ring and fell to the concrete floor. Without letting up for a moment, their war continued. Caught in the grip of competition, the men were ready to battle without fear or favor.

The referee was force to count out both men. At the conclusion, the crowd gave them a standing ovation. They knew they were witnesses to history. ☐

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BR: And isn't it true that there were never any bank accounts in Jimmy's name at all, that you never put money away for Jimmy? There were no bank accounts, there were no certificates of deposit, there were no stocks...

LA: None of your damn business, Rogers, shut up!

BR: ... There were no bonds, there wasn't a dime of Jimmy's money put away for his own good the way there should have been? Wouldn't you...

LA: Listen, Rogers, I'm...

BR: Just shut up one minute, you fat slob. With all the things that you should have done for Jimmy Snuka, and with all the things you never did for Jimmy, wouldn't you call this a gross mismanagement of this man's career in the WWF?

LA: The way I manage my wrestlers is my own business, Rogers, and I do a damn good job of it. Aren't I the greatest manager of tag team champions in the world today? Didn't I bring Jimmy Snuka up from a virtual unknown to the level of being a number-one contender for the WWF heavyweight championship? Jimmy Snuka owes his entire career to me, and he should be the first one to...

BR: He should be the first one to beat you to a pulp the first chance he gets, you fat slob. What did you do with all the money that he earned?

LA: What are you talking about? You make it sound like I have hundreds of thousands of dollars in the bank. Listen, Mr. High and Mighty Buddy Rogers. You're so damn smart, right? If you looked into my financial situation the way you say you did, and I'm not even going to bring up the fact that you had no right to do so, you would

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BR: I'll tell you where the money is, pal, I'll . . .

LA: Yeah, I'll tell you, Rogers, I'll tell you to . . .

BR: Now it's your turn to shut up, fat man, and listen. I *did* look into your finances, and it is my business, and it's all a matter of public record. You don't have any money left because you took a financial bath on one particularly foolish managerial deal, which I won't get into right now.



An emotional moment: Snuka embraces Rogers, the man who gave him his freedom. Albano blames Rogers for the loss of his most profitable wrestler.

LA: You lie!

BR: You know as well as I do, and as well as the fans reading this that every word I speak is the truth.

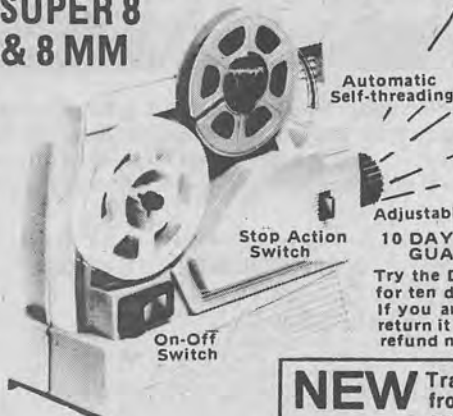
LA: You lie, you just want to break up Jimmy Snuka and me so you can steal his money for yourself!

BR: You're wrong. Jimmy asked me to manage him all on his own. I haven't given him an answer yet, and I don't know if I will manage him. I do know this, Albano: If I do manage him, I'll do a helluva lot better of a job than you did. That's for damn sure. ☐

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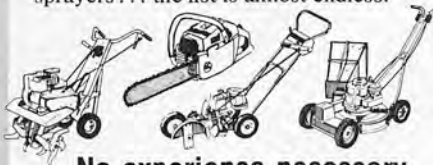
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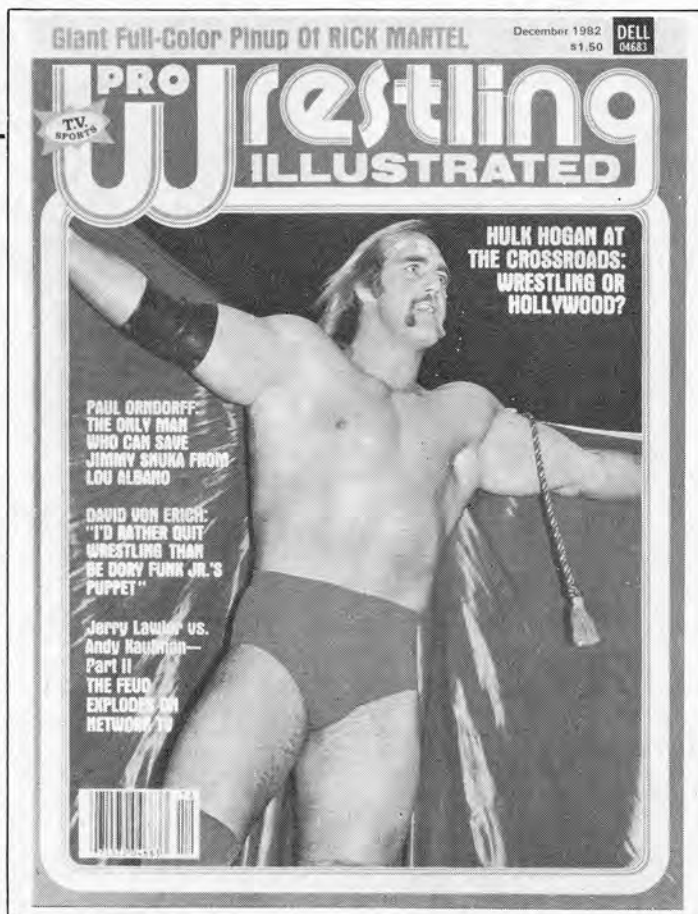
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